Dewart Lake

Kosciusko County

Fish management report
with emphasis on a lake-wide application
of fluridone to control
Eurasian water milfoil



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A project is underway by the Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) to monitor the effects of fluridone use at several lakes where experimental permits have been issued for Eurasian water milfoil (EWM) control. Dewart Lake, located in Kosciusko County, was treated with in 2006. The initial results are presented in this report.

Dewart Lake was treated with 28 gallons of fluridone (6 ppb) on May 25. FasTEST samples on June 14 indicated a concentration of 8.1 ppb was achieved. As a result, no "bump" was needed to ensure an adequate concentration.

To evaluate the treatment, the DFW conducted a plant survey on July 31. In addition, all floating-leaf emergent plant beds and offshore stands of bulrushes and cattails were mapped on August 9. To obtain information on the fish community for comparisons to possible future changes, surveys were conducted in June and July. More information on largemouth bass was obtained from mark-recapture sampling in April and May. A creel survey was conducted from April through October.

The frequency of occurrence of EWM dropped from pre-treatment estimates of littoral coverage ranging from 35-60% in mid-summer 2005 to no detectable level in 2006 after treatment. The application, however, was associated with a 10% reduction in the overall coverage of submersed aquatic plants, and some reductions in species richness, mean native species per site, and native species diversity. Treatment had little effect on emergent plants.

As expected, there were no immediate detectable effects on the fish community or fishing activity at the lake. Prior to the fluridone application, anglers who were interviewed while fishing had mixed opinions on whether there were "too many weeds", but none thought so afterwards.

Given the initial success of the fluridone treatment, efforts should be undertaken in 2007 to curtail EWM resurgence.

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Eurasian water milfoil *Myriophyllum spicatum* has been present in northern Indiana natural lakes for decades, but only recently have major steps been taken to reduce its area-wide distribution and abundance. Until 2000, Eurasian water milfoil (EWM) was viewed by most lake managers as one of several submersed aquatic plants that can create localized nuisance conditions that primarily interfere with individual riparian use. As a result, lake associations and lake residents bore the full cost of control programs under permit authority granted by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). In 2002, however, in response to public pressure to provide some financial assistance, the state legislature increased funding of the DNR Lake and River Enhancement Program (LARE) with the stipulation that a portion of the money be used to help communities control invasive aquatic plants (HB1221). The LARE program, based on a tax applied to boat owners, now generates approximately \$2.2 million per year, of which about 25% is used for aquatic plant management, primarily directed at EWM. Because more money is now available, aggressive measures are being taken to control EWM with herbicides at several lakes in hopes of reducing local infestations and the likelihood of its dispersal to other lakes. Control measures typically involve use of triclopyr and 2,4-D for spot treatments or fluridone, marketed as SONAR®, for lakewide applications.

Although fluridone is touted for its efficacy to selectively control EWM without harming native plants, the DNR has adopted a cautious approach when approving permits to authorize its use. Concerns center on the whether applicators and plant managers have sufficient confidence in their ability and experience to target appropriate lakes for treatment and to apply correct dosages under field conditions that do not create long-term adverse effects on lake ecology, including declines in water quality, declines in native plant abundance, or declines in fishing. To address these concerns, a project is now underway by the DNR Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) to monitor the effects of fluridone use at several lakes where experimental permits have been issued for EWM control. While final conclusions regarding the risks and benefits of fluridone treatments in Indiana lakes may be years away, the DFW is issuing a series of reports to provide updated information on the results at each lake as it becomes available. Dewart Lake, located in Kosciusko County, was treated with SONAR® in 2006. The initial results, along with a comparison to pre-treatment plant data, are presented in this report.

In addition to EWM control, three other management issues have come to the forefront at Dewart Lake that warrant investigation. Local residents have expressed interest in designating an "ecozone" on the south side to protect offshore beds of emergent plants from boating activity. Following enactment of legislation in 2000 (HB1075), the DNR was given authority to establish zones where watercraft use may be limited for resource protection. The area has undergone major shifts in coverage, ranging from dense beds of cattails and bulrushes to virtually no plants, during the last 25 years. Some reappearance of the beds has occurred in recently. Dewart Lake is also one of 16 Indiana natural lakes larger than 500 acres. Because of their size, large lakes may be experiencing greater fishing pressure for largemouth bass, due to their popularity among tournament anglers. As a consequence, large lakes like Dewart may have lower bass densities, poorer size structure, greater bass mortality, and may require different management strategies to satisfy bass anglers than small lakes. This premise is now under study at other northern Indiana lakes as well. Finally, walleyes have been occasionally stocked in Dewart Lake to increase the diversity of fishing opportunities. Information on their survival could be useful in efforts to refine the DFW walleye management program.

DEWART LAKE

Dewart Lake is a moderately-fertile, 551-acre natural lake located three miles south of Syracuse. It lies within the Elkhart River watershed and drains 5,152 acres. Two small inlets enter on the east side and the outlet, Hammond Ditch, leaves the west side and flows to Waubee Lake. Maximum depth is 82 feet and average depth is 16 feet. Enough oxygen is present for fish down to 15 feet but levels usually drop too low below 20 feet (< 4 ppm.) by mid-summer (Table 1). Water clarity in July varies from 6-14 feet. The bottom is mostly sand and muck, but boulders and gravel are present in some locations. Large areas on the north and south sides of the lake are less than 5 feet deep. Hydraulic retention time is estimated to be 601 days. Farming is the main watershed use, although woodlots and wetlands are present. Nearly all of the shoreline is residentially developed. Areas of natural shoreline and wetlands are present along the south shore and in the northeast corner adjacent to a private camp. A state-owned boat ramp is available in the northwest corner off CR 300E.

METHODS

Dewart Lake was treated with 28 gallons of fluridone at a estimated rate of 6 ppb on May 25, 2006 by Aquatic Weed Control, a licensed commercial applicator. It was dispensed throughout the water column in a zig-zag fashion using two boats mounted with drop-line injection sprayers. The application took approximately 4 hours to complete. FasTEST samples collected at six locations on June 14 and analyzed one day later by SePRO indicated an average concentration of 8.1 ppb had been achieved, with four of the six samples varying from 7.0-7.4 ppb. As a result, no follow-up treatment was necessary to "bump" the dosage back to 6 ppb to ensure an adequate concentration for at least 60 days. Little inflow and a low water level at the time may have contributed to maintenance of the higher concentration of fluridone.

To evaluate the impact of the fluridone treatment on EWM and other plants, the DFW conducted an aquatic plant survey July 31, 2006 following standard protocols outlined by the LARE program. Submersed plant samples were collected with a doubleheaded rake at 90 randomly-selected sites, stratified within 5-foot contours, down to a depth of 20 feet. Descriptive summary statistics, including species richness and diversity, frequency of occurrence, relative abundance and dominance of various species, were generated to describe the plant community. The results were then compared to samples collected on May 24 and August 1, 2005 by the Division of Fish and Wildlife and were made available for comparisons with samples taken by Aquatic Weed Control under contract for LARE on August 10, 2006. In addition, the DFW mapped all floating-leaf emergent plant beds and offshore stands of bulrushes and cattails on August 9, 2006. Little prior quantification of emergent plants had been documented. Beds were mapped by boating along the lakeward perimeter of each bed and recording GPS coordinates at points along their edges. Width of the bed, oriented perpendicularly toward shore at each point, was measured with a laser rangefinder. Bed size was calculated by summing areas of each polygon created by the linear distance between two consecutive GPS points and their mean width. For offshore bulrush and cattail beds, size was determined by digitizing GPS points recorded along the entire margin of the bed. Species present at each GPS point and along the visual transects through the bed were noted. Small patches of emergent plants (< 625 sq ft) were also mapped and characterized by species.

To obtain current information on the status of the fish community for comparisons to possible future changes, fish population surveys were conducted at Dewart Lake on June 12-14 and July 17-18, 2006. The June date was chosen to coincide with the optimum period for natural lake fish community surveys, while the July sampling was done to compare with four previous surveys conducted at the lake in 1976, 1982, 1995 and 2003. Surface water temperatures at the time of the June and July surveys were 71F and 83F, respectively. Sampling in June consisted of 45 minutes of pulsed DC night-time electrofishing with two dip-netters and an additional 23 minutes spent targeting only largemouth bass. Five gill net lifts and three trap nets lifts were also made in June. During the July sampling, another 45 minutes of electrofishing for all species was conducted at night, while three additional gill net lifts and two additional trap net lifts were made. Each captured fish was measured to the nearest tenth-inch. Fish weights were estimated from a standard length-weight regression model for various species in Indiana natural lakes. Scale samples were taken from major sport fish, other than largemouth bass, for age and growth analyses.

More specific information of the largemouth bass population at Dewart Lake was obtained in April and May 2006. Largemouth bass, density, size, growth and total mortality was determined from mark-recapture electrofishing over a four-week period from April 26 to May 17. Water temperatures varied from 58-63F. Two sampling crews covered the entire shoreline in about two hours per night. Stunned bass were retrieved by two dip-netters in each boat, measured and marked with a right-ventral fin-clip before release. A Schnabel estimate of 8-inch and larger bass was then generated from four sampling sessions. Mean nightly estimates of catch per effort for four size categories of bass were calculated. Scale samples from bass were taken at this time for age analysis. A separate estimate of the bass population over the entire length range was made and partitioned into various age groups based on the proportions per half-inch in order to estimate annual survival. No specific sampling was targeted toward catching walleyes.

To estimate fishing effort and catch at Dewart Lake, a creel survey was conducted from April 3 through October 25, 2006. During the survey, boat and shore anglers were counted at regular intervals on four daily occasions throughout an early period (morning to mid-afternoon) and late period (mid-afternoon to dark) on seven randomly-selected

weekdays and three weekend days every two weeks. Fishing effort was calculated for boat and shore anglers each month for weekends and weekdays by multiplying the average daily count times 15 hours per day times the number of weekend and weekdays per month. Angler catch was determined by interviewing as many as anglers as possible during each sampling day. Total catch of each species was then calculated by expanding the observed catch times the fraction of total effort for each month (i.e. total catch = observed catch * expansion factor; expansion factor = estimated total hours / observed interview hours). Harvested fish were also measured to determine size structure and harvested bass was also examined for fin-clips. An estimate of the percentage of legalsize bass (\geq 14 in) removed by anglers was calculated by dividing the harvest estimate from the spring population estimate. During each interview, a spokesperson for the party was asked which species they were fishing for, whether they released any legal or sublegal bass, how they rated fishing quality, whether they were Dewart Lake residents. We also asked a general question of whether Dewart Lake had "too many weeds" to gauge their perceptions of the amount of milfoil infestation before and after the fluridone treatment.

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RESULTS

The fluridone application significantly reduced the amount of EWM in Dewart Lake. Based on data collected by Aquatic Weed Control and the DFW, the frequency of occurrence of EWM at various sample sites dropped from pre-treatment estimates of littoral coverage ranging from 35-60% in mid-summer 2005 to no detectable level in 2006 after treatment (Table 2). The application, however, was associated with a 10% reduction in the overall coverage of submersed aquatic plants, a reduction in species richness, mean number of native species per site, and native species diversity. Minor species present prior to treatment but not observed after included elodea, floating-leaf pondweed, bladderwort, leafy pondweed, northern water milfoil, and whorled water milfoil. Nitella was detected only after treatment. Coontail, a species that can be sensitive to low concentrations of fluridone, lost much of its color (i.e. chlorosis) but was still present at 43% of sample sites after treatment. A lower dominance score in the DFW samples indicated coontail abundance decreased, however.

Although the frequency of occurrence of EWM increased with depth prior to treatment, it was effectively controlled by fluridone within all contours of the littoral zone (Table 3). Coontail occurrence decreased slightly within each contour, while chara and water stargrass were generally unaffected. Except for flat-stem pondweed, which was relatively sparse before treatment, pondweed coverage in general was reduced, as was coverage of common naiad. Notable declines occurred among Illinois pondweed and variable pondweed in the 0- to 5-foot contour, sago pondweed and large-leaf pondweed in the 5- to 10-foot contour, and sago pondweed in the 10- to 15-foot contour. Coontail dominance, a value that incorporates distribution and rake scores, decreased 48% in the 0- to 5-foot contour, 42% in the 5- to 10-foot contour, 34% in the 10- to 15-foot contour and 51% in the 15- to 20-foot contour (Table 4). Variable pondweed dominance decreased 67-90% in the top two contours.

The fluridone treatment had little effect on emergent plants. One 2.4-acre bed of spatterdock and water lilies (#2) in the northeast corner of the lake showed sign of chlorosis in early July but recovered by August (see Appendix). During sampling on August 9, 26 beds of floating-leaf emergent plants covering 36 surface acres were mapped. Their lakeward perimeter covered slightly more than 2 miles, or 40% of the

shoreline. Water lilies occurred in 22 beds and were observed along each transect within 15 beds. Spatterdock occurred in 20 beds and was noted along each transect within eight beds. There were 12 beds dominated by lilies (≥ 2:1 ratio) and seven beds dominated by spatterdock. Other species associated with the beds included arrow arum, bulrush, cattail, pickerelweed, swamp loosestrife, and water willow. The average number of species observed along the transects within each bed varied from 1.0 to 3.7. The largest bed (#23) covered 8.1 acres and grew midway along the south shore. Beds larger than 5 acres were noted just north of the public boat ramp (#5) in the northwest corner and (#19) along the south shore in the southwest corner. Two other beds larger than 2 acres (#17 and #18) were located in the southwest bay as well, while another 2-acre bed (#9) was located in the southeast corner at the mouth of an inlet. Twenty-three patches of lilies and spatterdock were also scattered within the four corner bays and along the south shore. No floating-leaf emergents were present along the east, north and or sides of the lake except along the east side of the island near the middle.

Twelve off-shore beds of bulrushes and three off-shore beds of cattails were also mapped (see Appendix). They covered about 5 acres. All but two were present along the south side and within the southwest bay in the area that would likely be included in the proposed ecozone. Two small beds of bulrushes (#40 and #41) were mapped along the north shore but together only covered 0.1 acres. The largest bulrush bed (#36) was 3.2 acres and the largest cattail bed (#37) was 0.8 acres. Both were relatively close to each other. Fewer, but larger beds, would have been consolidated within this area but gaps between plants were too great (> 25 ft) to consider them contiguous.

As expected, given the May application of the fluridone treatment and the unlikelihood of any immediate impact, results of the June and July fish population surveys were similar to results obtain in previous years (Table 5). Bluegills have consistently ranked first by number in survey catches dating back to 1976. Largemouth bass, redear and yellow perch have also been the major sport species over the years. The most notable change in relative abundance of various species, however, has been the appearance and eventual increase of northern pike after 1982. Fifty-nine pike, weighing 144 pounds, were caught during the 2006 sampling. Pike accounted for 26% of the total survey weight. The gill net catch rate increased from 4.3/lift in 1995 to 6.8/lift in 2003

and 7.3/lift in 2006. As pike abundance increased, smallmouth bass and walleyes were also stocked, although only two smallmouth bass and seven walleyes were captured in the 2006 survey. The overall weight of large predators (including largemouth bass, gar and bowfin) increased from an average of 38% in 1976 and 1982 to 60% in 1995 to 2006, even though they accounted for only 9-13% by number.

Whether in response to size limits imposed in the 1990s, largemouth bass abundance was no greater in 2006 than in previous years, based on survey catches. A total of 152 bass were caught in the 2006 survey, although 118 were caught in June (26/15-min) and only 34 (18/15-min) in July. The July catch rate was similar to the catch rate in 1995 (18/15-min) and 2003 (14/15-min). Comparisons of largemouth bass abundance to 1976 and 1982 were compounded by the use of AC electrofishing gear in 1976 and 1982, then DC electrofishing gear afterwards. Mean weight of bass ranged from 0.35-0.37 pounds in 1976 and 1982, increased to 0.62 in 1995, but then dropped back to 0.48 in 2003 and to 0.40 in 2006.

As predator fish increased at Dewart Lake, populations of other fish may have decreased (Table 5). Only eight black crappies were caught in 2006, including only three in July. No golden shiners were observed, although as many as 30 were caught in 1976. Only four lake chubsuckers were caught in July 1995, 2003 or 2006 compared to 142 in 1976. Pumpkinseeds, redfin pickerel, and white suckers were noted in previous surveys but not captured since 1995. As many as 107 yellow perch were caught in 2006, but only 22 were taken in July, while earlier July surveys included 65 to 136 perch. Despite the declines among these forage species, four banded killifish, 16 brook silversides, eight logperch, and 249 mimic shiners (perhaps identified as bluntnose minnows in 1995) were caught in the latest survey, while bullhead catches and catches of other sunfish species (green, longear, pumpkinseed, rock bass, warmouth) were similar to previous surveys.

A total of 1,159 bluegills were sampled during the 2006 survey, ranging in length from 1.7-8.5 inches. Mean length of bluegills in the July 2006 catch was 3.5 inches, down from 5.3 in 1976 and 5.0 in 1982, but also down from 3.9 and 4.0 in 1995 and 2003, indicating bluegill size may have declined over the past 30 years, although prior to 1995 (Table 6). From 1995 through 2006, DC electrofishing catch rates (123-134/15-min) and

size structure indices of bluegills, however, have been relatively stable. Less than 1% of all 3-inch and larger bluegills have been 8-inch or larger.

The 152 largemouth bass collected during the June and July sampling ranged in size from 2.5-17.5 inches (Table 7). Although 10 were 14.0-14.5 inches, only one was larger at 17.5 inches. Of all bass 8 inches and larger, 15% were 14-inch or larger. The percentage was slightly greater in June (16%) than July (12%). The proportion of 14-inch and larger bass in July 2006 (12%) was within the range of values from 1976 through 2003 (6-18%). Mean length in 2006 (4.7 in) was also similar to mean lengths in previous surveys. Although no 18-inch or larger bass were captured during the 2006 survey, very few were caught in earlier surveys as well. Only two were captured in 1995 and one was caught in 2003.

More and larger bass were captured during the four nights of spring mark-recapture sampling at Dewart Lake. A total of 1,282 bass, ranging from 3.0-20.5 inches, were caught in slightly over 13 total hours of sampling (Table 8). In addition, 131 bass from 4.0-18.0 inches were recaptured. The largest numbers of individual and recaptured bass were 6.5-7.0 inches. As many as 149 bass were legal-size. They comprised a greater proportion of all 8-inch and larger bass (18%) than they did in June or July. In addition, 15 bass captured in spring were 18-inch or larger, compared to none in June or July.

The Schnabel population estimate of 8-inch and larger bass was 3,578, or only 6.5 per acre (Table 9). The standard error was 400, providing a 90% confidence interval of 2,922 to 4,327. The overall estimate of all bass, including those less than 8 inches long, was 5,401 (SE=470). Nightly catches of 8-inch and larger bass, including recaptures, obtained during one electrofishing lap around the shore varied from 170-243, or 5-7% of the population. The mean nightly catch per hour of 8-inch and larger bass was 68, 13 per hour of 14-inch and larger bass, and only 1 per hour of 18-inch and larger bass. The mean nightly proportions of 8- to 11.5-inch bass, 12- to 13.5-inch bass, 14- to 17.5-inch bass, 18 inch and larger bass were 59%, 22%, 17% and 2%, respectively. Based on these figures, the estimated numbers of bass in these size groups were 2119, 787, 610 and 62. Although likely underestimated, another 1,823 were less than 8 inches. By the time sampling was complete, 814 bass that were 8-inch or larger had been placed within the population, including 134 that were 14-17.5 inches and 15 that were 18-inch or larger.

Bass captured in spring ranged from age-1 through age-8 (Table 10). Mean length per age was 3.4, 6.7, 8.0, 11.1, 13.5, 15.3, 17.3, and 19.2 inches, respectively, based on weighted averages for all captured fish within each age-group. No age-4 bass had reached legal-size but about 42% of age-5 bass had. Over 90% of age-6 bass were legal-size. Mean back-calculated lengths, based on year-class averages for age-1 through age-6 fish, were 2.9, 6.4, 9.5, 12.1, 14.1, and 15.6 inches (see Appendix) and were similar to lengths reported in previous surveys (Table 11). Given the proportion of the number of bass within each age-group distributed over the size range of all bass estimated to be present in spring (5401), Dewart Lake contained 80, 1411, 1427, 1378, 766, 188, 131, and 21 bass that were age-1 through age-8, respectively. Using these figures, annual survival of bass, age-2 through age-7, was 73%, 64%, 45%, 31%, 45%, and 14%, respectively.

Whether the fluridone treatment had any immediate effect on fishing at Dewart Lake was not determined. Until 2006, the only previous information on fishing activity at the lake was obtained by monitoring a bass fishing tournament on May 19, 2002. At the time, 15 anglers fished a total of 128 hours but brought only five legal-size bass to the weigh-in. All were less than 18 inches. During the 2006 creel survey, however, anglers fished 23,980 hours (44 hrs/ac) from April 3 through October 25. Of the total effort, anglers who fished on weekend accounted for 55% of the total, while anglers on weekdays accounted for 45% (Table 12). Months of greatest fishing activity were June (5843 hrs) and July (5288 hrs). Fishing effort in the spring months of April and May accounted for 7% and 15% respectively. Effort in the fall months of September and October made up 10% and 5% respectively. Summer effort in June, July and August totaled 63%. Like other area lakes, nearly all of the fishing effort came from angler fishing from boats (97%). Shore anglers accounted for only 3%.

Anglers fished mostly for bluegills and bass (Table 13). Those who targeted only bluegills accounted for 36% of the total and those who targeted only bass accounted for 32%. Another 6% fished for bluegills in combination with sunfish, 5% fished exclusively for pike, while 4% fished for bass and bluegills, and 4% fished for "anything". Less than 1% fished for walleyes. Among the total number of responses, bluegills were mentioned more often at 42%, bass second at 34%, sunfish third at 8%, pike fourth at 7%. The percentages of responses from boat anglers for these species were 41%, 34%, 8%, and

8%. Boat anglers tended to target bluegills more in the months of June (47%), July (49%) and August (49%) than other months, while bass responses were highest in April (38%), September (42%) and October (46%). Crappies were mentioned more often in April (8%). Pike were mentioned more often in April (11%) and September (12%).

Multiplying the percentage of responses from boat anglers each month times the number of boat angling hours per month provided an estimate of the monthly fishing effort directed at each species by boat anglers (Table 14). Boat anglers fished 9,705 hours for bluegills and 7,677 hours for bass. Over half of the effort directed at bluegills occurred in June (27%) and July (24%). Only 4% of the bluegill effort occurred in April, while 11% occurred in May. Among boat anglers who fished for bass, peak effort occurred in July (1,733 hrs) and accounted for 23% of the bass fishing total. Hours spent fishing for bass in April (581) and May (1,162) together accounted for another 23%, so even though the percentages of boat anglers who said they were fishing for bass in April (38%) and May (35%) were higher than percentages for other species in these months, their effort represented only 7% and 15% of the total bass effort from boat anglers. Likewise, the effort directed at pike by boat anglers was greatest in June (318 hrs), July (398 hrs), and August (369 hrs) even though as a percentage more effort was directed at pike in April (11%) or September (12%).

Anglers removed 16,266 fish during the period covered by the creel survey (Table 15). Boat anglers took 98% of them. As many as 9,848 bluegills were taken. Sunfish ranked second with 4,419, followed by crappies (538), pike (489), rock bass (312), perch (285), 31 smallmouth bass, 30 walleyes and 14 bullheads. Fishermen removed 299 largemouth bass, 10 of which were marked, and they released 8,865 bass of which 6,729 (76%) were less than 14 inches and 2,136 (24%) were legal-size. Most of the bluegills, sunfish, pike, and rock bass were taken in June. Crappie and smallmouth bass catches peaked in July, while perch and walleye catches peaked in August. Of the 299 largemouth bass removed by anglers, 5% were taken in April, 26% were taken in May, 22% in June, 23% in July, 19% in August, 3% in September, and 2% in October. The highest number of releases occurred in July (26%). Only 7% of the releases were made in April and 19% were made in May. Shore anglers took home mostly bluegills and sunfish.

Harvested bluegills ranged in length from 4.0-9.5 inches (Table 16). The largest percentage (29%) was 7.5 inches. Another 22% were 8-inch or larger. Harvested crappies were 7.0-14.5 inches, with 10 inches the dominant size. Sunfish, mostly redear, were 5.0-12.0 inches, of which 69% were 8-inch and larger. Perch were mostly 7.0-8.5 inches and rock bass were mostly 8.0-9.0 inches. All pike observed by the creel clerk were legal-size (20-in or larger). They ranged up to 37 inches long. Those less than 30 inches accounted for 89% and those 30 inches or larger accounted for 11%. Harvested walleyes were 14.5-23.5 inches. Of the 299 largemouth bass taken home, all but four were legal-size (14 in). Of all legal bass, 59% were less than 16 inches and only 4% were 18-inch or larger. The remaining 37% were 16.0-17.5 inches. The 295 legal-size largemouth bass removed by anglers represented 44% of the original 672 estimated to be present in spring. This figure, however, may be high since some bass less than 14 inches long probably grew into the legal-size range during the period covered by the survey and were taken by anglers. On the other hand, only 10 legal bass (7%) were taken by anglers out of the 134 marked and released into the population. Small sample size and failure to note marked bass in the creel could have biased this figure, however. In contrast, the catch-and-release of 8,865 bass represented more than twice the estimated number (3,578) of all 8-inch and larger bass in the lake. With annual survival of age-5 and older bass estimated at 31%, total annual mortality would be 69%. Assuming fishing mortality was a high as 44%, another 25% of the adult bass population (age-5 and older) could be lost each year to natural causes and delayed mortality due to angler catch-and-release. If fishing mortality is indeed as low as 7%, unexplained mortality could be as high as 62%.

Anglers were generally satisfied with fishing quality (Table 17). Overall, 74% of the responses of interviewed anglers were 'good', 20% were 'fair', and 6% were 'poor' when asked to describe fishing quality at Dewart Lake. Similar percentages of anglers rated bluegill and bass fishing as good (72-73%), while similar percentages (6-7%) of both groups rated fishing as poor. Anglers who specifically targeted only bluegills harvested them at the rate of 0.78 per hour. Those who considered fishing 'good' (70%) harvested them at the rate of 0.93 per hour and those who considered fishing 'poor' harvested them at 0.50 per hour. Of the 420 interviewed parties (835 anglers) who sought only bluegills, 202 parties (48%) representing 385 individuals (46%) took home none. In

contrast, only four fishermen in three parties (<1%) kept 25 or more bluegills, per angler including only one person who took home more than 25. Forty-three parties (10%) kept 10 or more bluegills per angler. Those who fished specifically for bass caught them at the rate of 0.89 per hour but took home only one bass per 111 hours of fishing. Their catch rate of sub-legal bass was 0.55 per hour. Most anglers who fished only for bass rated fishing as 'good' (72%) and only 5% rated fishing as 'poor'. Northern pike were even more satisfied, with 80% of the responses 'good' and only 4% 'poor'. Crappie anglers were less satisfied with fishing quality (68% good, 10% poor) and perch anglers and anglers who fished for "anything" were least satisfied.

Prior to the fluridone application, anglers had mixed opinions on whether there were "too many weeds" in Dewart Lake, but no one thought so afterwards (Table 18). From April through June, the percentage of anglers who thought there were too many weeds varied from 31-40% per month, while the percentage who did not varied from 47-59%. About 10-13% were unsure. The percentage of anglers who thought there were too many weeds dropped to 16% in July, 3% in August, and to 0% by September. The percentage who did not think there were too many weeds increased to 75% in July, 96% in August, and 100% by September. Before treatment, lake residents were more likely to think there were too many weeds than lake visitors. Visitors were also less certain there were too many weeds. By August, there were no differences in opinions between residents and visitors.

Perceptions of a weed problem varied with angler preferences. Among boat anglers overall, those who fished for 'anything' or crappies were more likely (35-36%) to think there were too many weeds in the lake (Table 19). Bluegill and sunfish anglers were less likely (20-27%), while bass and pike anglers were the least likely to think there were too many weeds (11-15%). However, these figures do not take into account their reaction to the decline in vegetation associated with the fluridone application throughout the season. For example, bluegill anglers in April, May and June were initially more likely to say there were too many weeds than did bass or pike anglers, but by August, September and October even bluegill anglers agreed there were no longer too many weeds in the lake (Table 20). Angler perceptions of a weed problem were not related to their perceptions of fishing quality (Table 21).

DISCUSSION

The application of fluridone to Dewart Lake in 2006, although slightly higher in concentration than originally intended, reduced the amount of Eurasian water milfoil to virtually no detectable level without causing any immediate adverse effects on water clarity, fish habitat, the fish community, or fishing activity and quality. This initial success is encouraging. It expanded the opportunity to reduce nuisance plant conditions caused by EWM and restore a balanced plant community in Dewart Lake, as well as other lakes similar to Dewart. Although the distribution and abundance of some native plants were reduced, overall coverage within the littoral zone remained at 90% and native plants are expected to recover in 2007. How fast, and to what extent, EWM returns to the lake cannot be predicted at this time and will require additional monitoring. At nearby Webster Lake, EWM returned immediately following SONAR® applications in 1999 and 2002 and required follow-up spot treatments with other herbicides. Webster Lake, however, has a more rapid exchange rate, a more organic substrate, higher nutrient levels, and a much larger littoral zone than Dewart Lake which may have compromised success of the treatments. However, until more monitoring is conducted at Dewart Lake and other lakes treated with fluridone, it is premature to conclude that initial success at reducing EWM can lead to long-term control.

The fluridone application and subsequent levels of plant abundance at Dewart Lake helped define what anglers consider 'nuisance conditions'. Although submersed plants were still found at 80-90% of the sample sites within each 5-foot contour in late July, these levels were not perceived by anglers as "too many weeds". In theory, current Division of Fish and Wildlife guidelines call for optimum levels of plant coverage based on various sport fish species. For example, as much as 80-90% of the littoral zone should be vegetated in lakes like Dewart where northern pike are a major component of the fish community. Pike are ambush predators and use plants for concealment. Bluegills, the most popular sport fish at Dewart, require 50% coverage yet often do well where plants are much more abundant. Plants provide attachment structures for invertebrates that are important contributors to bluegill diets. Consequently, from a fishing perspective, these figures could suggest reasonable target objectives at Dewart Lake and serve as standards for evaluating the long-term success of the aquatic plant management program there.

Although the fluridone application may have temporarily discolored some lilies in the northeast corner of the lake, emergent plants were more abundant in Dewart Lake than other nearby lakes in the area. Floating-leaf plants, i.e. water lilies and spatterdock, covered 36 surface acres, while offshore bulrush and cattail stands occupied another 5 acres. Together, these plants covered 7% of the total lake area and 14% of the 0- to 10-foot contour. Floating-leaf plant beds were present along 40% of the shoreline. At 187-acre Waubee Lake, emergent plants covered less than 5 acres (2% surface area) and were present along 20% of the shoreline. At 851-acre Lake Tippecanoe, including the Oswego basin, floating-leaf plants also occupied less than 5 acres (<1%) and grew along only 7% of the shoreline. At 774-acre Webster Lake, they covered 34 acres (4%) and 28% of the shoreline. These plants serve as important habitat for a variety of fish and wildlife species by providing shade from the sun, nest protection, cover from predators, substrate and structure, as well as protect habitat by stabilizing the substrate and reducing wave energy. They also enhance the natural character and appearance of a lake.

The Division of Fish and Wildlife has not adopted specific guidelines on the optimum amount of emergent plant coverage that is desirable in lakes, but ideally as much as 50% or more of the shoreline should support native stands of emergent plants. Many northern Indiana natural lakes probably supported them along their entire shoreline out to a depth of 5-10 feet prior to residential development. Areas devoid of emergent plants may have existed only where narrow littoral zones were shaded by extensive tree canopies or where certain bottom materials, such as gravel or marl, were present. As mentioned, Dewart Lake through much of the 1980s contained a large stand of bulrushes and cattails that grew beyond 200 feet from the south shore into the high-speed boating area of the lake. The plants disappeared entirely within a relatively short period prior to the 1995 survey and were displaced to some extent by lilies. Periodic changes in average water levels may have caused the changes, but high-speed boat operation and personal watercraft have also been implicated as factors that reduced the stands (JFNew 2005). Consequently, their recent resurgence might be augmented by limiting boat activity within the area in the future. It has been identified as a possible "ecozone" where special boating restrictions may be applied. The area is also shallow and contains large boulders that pose a safety hazard to boaters.

The fluridone application at Dewart Lake was not expected to have any immediate effect on fish or fishing activity. The most likely response could be increases in growth of bluegills and bass, due to greater bass predation on bluegills. This could translate to better size-structure for both, although long-term responses within fish communities to whole-lake treatments of EWM at Indiana lakes and elsewhere are not well-documented. In two Minnesota lakes, temporary increases in bass and bluegill growth coupled with losses of several non-sport fish occurred after plants were greatly reduced at a fluridone concentration of 10 ppb (Welling et. al. 1997). When fluridone was applied in Michigan lakes at 5-7 ppb, no detectable positive effect was noted on growth of young bass, presumably because their diverse native plant communities maintained structural complexity (Valley and Bremigan 2002). The authors emphasized, however, that no negative effects were noted but warned harmful effects could occur to invertebrates and fish where native plant diversity is low. Because Dewart Lake also contains a diverse native plant community, the likelihood of any short-term or long-term effects of the fluridone application on the fish community should also be negligible.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Given the initial success of the fluridone treatment, efforts should be undertaken in 2007 to curtail EWM resurgence. How much EWM is likely to appear is uncertain, but should be monitored. Some use of additional herbicides should be anticipated. Since much of the EWM grew offshore, however, there is little reason to suspect more native plants will flourish in near-shore areas and limit lake use. As a result, requests to control native plants should be discouraged until long-term effects of the fluridone treatment are known. Follow-up surveys of the fish community should be done every 2-3 years to monitor changes in species composition, fish size, and growth. The low density of largemouth bass (6.5/ac) coupled with apparent high-mortality of legal-bass, is the most troubling fish management concern at Dewart Lake. Additional work is needed to better understand factors that influence bass mortality at Indiana natural lakes. Although walleyes have survived in Dewart Lake, given the abundance of pike and declines among some species, no additional stockings are warranted. Meanwhile, efforts to establish an "ecozone" to protect emergent plants should be supported.

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Table 1. Historic oxygen levels (ppm) and water clarity (secchi depth) at Dewart Lake from 1972 through 2006 (source – Division of Fish and Wildlife files).

Depth (ft)	7/72	7/76	7/82	7/95	7/03	6/06	7/06
0	7.0	8.4	7.0	10.0	10.0	8.1	6.4
5	7.1	8.2	7.0	10.0	10.0	8.0	6.2
10	7.2	7.4	7.0	10.0	10.0	8.0	5.8
15	5.5	7.8	7.0	9.0	9.0	8.2	3.8
20	3.6	3.8	2.0	3.0	4.0	8.0	0.7
25	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	6.4	0.3
30	0.1	0.4	< 0.2	3.0	< 0.2	5.2	0.2
35	0.0	0.0	< 0.2	3.0	< 0.2	4.6	0.2
40	0.0	0.0	< 0.2	3.0	0.0	3.8	0.2
45	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.4	0.0	1.4	0.2
50	0.0	0.0	< 0.2	1.2	0.0	0.5	0.2
Secchi (ft)	6.0	8.0	13.6	8.3	10.0	16.0	10.0

Table 2. Mid-summer submersed aquatic plant sampling results by Aquatic Weed Control (AWC) and the Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) before (2005) and after (2006) a fluridone treatment of Eurasian water milfoil at Dewart Lake.

Parameter (0-20 ft)	AWC	AWC	DFW	DFW
Date Sample sites (n)	7/27/05 80	8/10/06 90	8/1/05 102	7/31/06 90
Secchi (ft)	13.0	8.0	7.5	11.0
Littoral depth (ft)	19.0	20.0	21.0	20.0
Coverage (%)	93.8	83.3	100.0	88.9
Native coverage (%)			97.1	88.9
Species (N)	13	11	17	10
Native species (N)	11	10	15	9
Species/site (max)	7	5	6	3
Species/site (mean)	2.14	1.18	2.49	1.14
Native species/site (mean)	1.78	1.10	1.87	1.12
Species diversity Native species diversity	0.84 0.80	0.77 0.74	0.85 0.84	0.72 0.71
Species occurrence (%) Eurasian water milfoil	AWC 35.0	AWC	DFW 60.2	DFW
Chara	65.0	33.3	50.5	37.8
Coontail	15.0	43.3	43.7	43.3
Water stargrass		11.1	18.4	16.7
Common naiad	18.8	4.4	18.4	2.2
Sago pondweed Illinois pondweed	12.5 23.8	4.4 4.4	12.6 11.7	
Variable pondweed	20.0	7.7	13.6	2.2
Elodea	1.3		3.9	
Large-leaf pondweed	5.0	3.3	5.8	2.2
Floating-leaf pondweed	22.5	2.2	1.0 2.9	5.6
Flat-stem pondweed Curly-leaf pondweed	1.3	7.8	1.9	2.2
Bladderwort			1.0	
Eel grass	5.0	1.1	1.0	1.1
Leafy pondweed Northern water milfoil			1.0 1.0	
American pondweed	6.3	4.4	1.0	
Whorled water milfoil	2.5			
Nitella		2.2		1.1
Filamentous algae			9.7	12.2
Species dominance	AWC	AWC	DFW	DFW
Eurasian water milfoil Chara	16.8 41.5	29.3	36.3 35.3	23.1
Coontail	3.5	29.3	23.7	17.6
Water stargrass	0.0	5.8	7.6	3.3
Common naiad	6.5		5.2	0.9
Sago pondweed	2.8	1.3	4.9	
Illinois pondweed Variable pondweed	6.0	0.9	3.3 3.3	0.4
Elodea	0.3		1.9	0.4
Large-leaf pondweed	1.5	2.0	1.9	0.4
Floating-leaf pondweed		0.4	1.0	
Flat-stem pondweed Curly-leaf pondweed	5.3 0.5	0.4 1.6	0.8 0.4	1.1 0.4
Bladderwort	0.5	1.0	0.4	0.4
Eel grass	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.2
Leafy pondweed			0.2	
Northern water milfoil American pondweed	3.3	0.9	0.2	
Whorled water milfoil	3.3 0.5	0.9		
Nitella	5.5	1.8		0.2

Table 3. Mid-summer frequency of occurrence of submersed aquatic plants at 5-foot contours in 2005 prior (Pre-) and in 2006 after (Post-) fluridone treatment to control Eurasian water milfoil in Dewart Lake, based on Division of Fish and Wildlife samples.

Contour 0-5 feet	Pre-	Post-	Contour 5-10 feet	Pre-	Post-
Bladderwort			Bladderwort		
Chara	88.6	80.0	Chara	36.4	30.8
Common naiad	29.5	3.3	Common naiad	18.2	
Coontail	13.6	10.0	Coontail	45.5	38.5
Curly-leaf pondweed			Curly-leaf pondweed		
Eel grass			Eel grass	3.0	3.8
Elodea	2.3		Elodea	3.0	
Eurasian water milfoil	29.5		Eurasian water milfoil	78.8	
Flat-stem pondweed	4.5	3.3	Flat-stem pondweed	3.0	7.7
Floating-leaf pondweed	2.3		Floating-leaf pondweed		
Illinois pondweed	20.5		Illinois pondweed	9.1	
Large-leaf pondweed	4.5	3.3	Large-leaf pondweed	12.1	
Leafy pondweed			Leafy pondweed	3.0	
Nitella			Nitella		
Northern water milfoil	2.3		Northern water milfoil		
Sago pondweed	4.5		Sago pondweed	27.3	
Variable pondweed	27.3	3.3	Variable pondweed	6.1	3.8
Water stargrass	11.4	10.0	Water stargrass	36.4	23.1
Filamentous algae	2.3	13.3	Filamentous algae	21.2	15.4
Contour 10-15 feet	Pre-	Post-	Contour 15-20 feet	Pre-	Post-
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Table 4. Mid-summer dominance indices of submersed aquatic plants at 5-foot contours in 2005 prior (Pre-) and in 2006 after (Post-) fluridone treatment to control Eurasian water milfoil in Dewart Lake, based on Division of Fish and Wildlife samples.

Contour 0-5 feet	Pre-	Post-	Contour 5-10 feet	Pre-	Post-
Bladderwort			Bladderwort		
Chara	65.0	48.0	Chara	23.0	18.5
Common naiad	9.5	0.7	Common naiad	4.8	
Coontail	6.4	3.3	Coontail	21.2	12.3
Curly-leaf pondweed			Curly-leaf pondweed		
Eel grass			Eel grass	0.6	8.0
Elodea	1.4		Elodea	3.0	
Eurasian water milfoil	13.2		Eurasian water milfoil	57.0	
Flat-stem pondweed	1.8	0.7	Flat-stem pondweed	0.6	1.5
Floating-leaf pondweed	1.4		Floating-leaf pondweed		
Illinois pondweed	6.8		Illinois pondweed	4.2	
Large-leaf pondweed	2.7	0.7	Large-leaf pondweed	4.8	
Leafy pondweed			Leafy pondweed	0.6	
Nitella			Nitella		
Northern water milfoil	0.5		Northern water milfoil		
Sago pondweed	1.8		Sago pondweed	12.7	
Variable pondweed	7.3	0.7	Variable pondweed	2.4	0.8
Water stargrass	5.0	2.0	Water stargrass	18.2	4.6
Contour 10-15 feet	Pre-	Post-	Contour 15-20 feet	Pre-	
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Bladderwort	1.5		Bladderwort	rie-	Post-
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Chara Common naiad Coontail	1.5 7.7 50.8	6.7 2.5 33.3	Chara Common naiad Coontail	73.3	36.0
Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed	1.5 7.7	6.7 2.5	Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed		
Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed Eel grass	1.5 7.7 50.8 3.1	6.7 2.5 33.3	Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed Eel grass	73.3	
Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed Eel grass Elodea	1.5 7.7 50.8 3.1 4.6	6.7 2.5 33.3	Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed Eel grass Elodea	73.3	
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Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed Eel grass Elodea <i>Eurasian water milfoil</i> Flat-stem pondweed	1.5 7.7 50.8 3.1 4.6	6.7 2.5 33.3	Chara Common naiad Coontail Curly-leaf pondweed Eel grass Elodea <i>Eurasian water milfoil</i> Flat-stem pondweed	73.3	
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Table 5. Number and weight of fish collected during fish population surveys at Dewart Lake from 1976 through 2006.

			Numbe	er of fis	sh					Pounds	of fish			
	July	July	July	July	June	July	Total	July	July	July	July	June	July	Total
Species	1976	1982	1995	2003	2006	2006	2006	1976	1982	1995	2003	2006	2006	2006
Banded killifish			2		3	1	4			0.01		0.01	0.01	0.02
Black crappie	28	66	8	10	5	3	8	8.25	18.53	3.20	5.03	4.37	0.79	5.16
Bluegill	447	435	502	1207	790	369	1159	67.47	50.72	36.36	101.82	56.09	22.10	78.19
Bluntnose minnow			134							0.58				
Bowfin	14	6	2	3	8	3	11	60.05	21.48	6.75	10.56	37.21	8.40	45.61
Brook silverside	na	na	50	10	16		16			0.40	0.01	0.04		0.04
Brown bullhead	9	4	6	7	8	2	10	8.09	3.53	8.21	6.14	6.55	2.69	9.24
Carp	20	2			1		1	196.07	24.60			12.35		12.35
Channel catfish	1							12.19						
Common shiner						1	1						0.03	0.03
Golden shiner	30	9	1	1				3.14	0.70	0.08	0.10			
Green sunfish	4							0.39						
Hybrid sunfish				1							0.54			0.00
Lake chubsucker	142	68	4		4	4	8	27.35	11.74	0.65		0.42	0.62	1.04
Largemouth bass	64	52	70	87	118	34	152	22.64	19.09	43.06	41.69	47.87	12.26	60.13
Log perch			13	7	7	1	8			0.26	0.11	0.03	0.02	0.05
Longear	4	5		2	7	5	12	0.19	0.53		0.19	0.31	0.20	0.51
Longnose gar	31		9	3		3	3	71.57		13.68	7.01		15.29	15.29
Mimic shiner				38	224	25	249				0.02	0.12	0.03	0.15
Northern pike		3	27	27	37	22	59		14.14	65.22	79.30	88.20	55.78	143.98
Pumpkinseed	65	23	6					4.33	1.98	0.47				
Redear	64	48	55	20	121	41	162	16.44	13.58	14.31	4.17	38.57	11.14	49.71
Redfin pickerel	6	4	1					0.74	1.47	0.01				
Rock bass	15	25	10		23	11	34	2.03	3.18	1.70		7.28	2.94	10.22
Smallmouth bass			1	8	2		2			0.42	3.75	1.99		1.99
Spotted gar	32	29	12	1	14	20	34	59.97	62.35	20.38	2.13	30.24	28.90	59.14
Stonecat				1							0.01			
Walleye			6	3	5	2	7			17.87	6.63	15.50	5.73	21.23
Warmouth	32	27	29	12	27	29	56	3.33	5.01	7.09	2.80	5.03	4.09	9.12
White sucker	2	2						4.12	4.14					
Yellow bullhead	7	9	20	14	17	15	32	3.21	5.54	15.92	11.00	9.71	10.76	20.47
Yellow perch	136	119	82	65	85	22	107	15.45	30.76	5.94	7.11	8.64	1.95	10.59
TOTAL	1153	936	1050	1527	1522	613	2135	587.02	293.07	262.57	290.12	370.53	183.73	554.26
Sampling Effort														
Electrofishing														
AC minutes	210	90												
DC minutes			45	45*	45*	45	90*							
Gill net lifts	12	8	6	4	5	3	8							
Trap net lifts	0	8	7	4	3	2	5							

^{*}Does not include approximately 15 additional minutes sampling for largemouth bass.

Table 6. Number and size (inches) of bluegills captured during fish population surveys at Dewart Lake from 1976 through 2006.

Bluegills captured by all sampling gear												
	July	July	July	July	June	July	Total					
Inches	1976	1982	1995	2003	2006	2006	2006					
1-1.5	1	0	1	0	4	0	4					
2-2.5	34	12	76	349	93	107	200					
3-3.5	42	23	174	216	215	104	319					
4-4.5	65	121	94	231	281	90	371					
5-5.5	53	155	77	117	84	27	111					
6-6.5	131	82	58	149	70	21	91					
7-7.5	96	23	15	131	38	13	51					
8-8.5	25	16	6	13	5	7	12					
9-9.5	0	3	1	1	0	0	0					
Total	447	435	502	1207	790	369	1159					
Mean length	5.3	5.0	3.9	4.0	3.9	3.5	3.8					

Bluegills captured by DC electrofishing gear											
	July	July	July	July	June	July	Total				
Inches	1976	1982	1995	2003	2006	2006	2006				
1-1.5	na	na	1	0	4	0	4				
2-2.5	na	na	32	18	68	11	79				
3-3.5	na	na	160	74	169	37	206				
4-4.5	na	na	83	140	248	65	313				
5-5.5	na	na	72	68	74	16	90				
6-6.5	na	na	43	46	54	13	67				
7-7.5	na	na	8	20	23	1	24				
8-8.5	na	na	2	3	3	1	4				
9-9.5	na	na		0	0	0	0				
Total	na	na	401	369	643	144	787				
EF minutes	na	na	45	45	45	45	90				
N/15-min	na	na	134	123	214	48	131				
PSD	na	na	14.4	19.7	14.0	11.3	13.5				
RSD7	na	na	2.7	6.6	4.6	1.5	4.0				
RSD8	na	na	0.5	0.9	0.5	8.0	0.6				

Table 7. Number and size (inches) of largemouth bass captured during fish population surveys at Dewart Lake from 1976 through 2006.

Inches	July 1976	July 1982	July 1995	July 2003	June 2006	July 2006	Total 2006
1-1.5	1970	1902	1995	2003	2000	2000	0
	9		1			1	1
2-2.5	9				-	ı	
3-3.5		4-	1	1	7	•	7
4-4.5	_	17	1	5	5	3	8
5-5.5	2	1	6	12	2	8	10
6-6.5	8	1	1	8	15	2	17
7-7.5	3		16	7	34	3	37
8-8.5	7	8	11	12	9	4	13
9-9.5	15	10	5	16	11	5	16
10-10.5	9	6	4	5	8	3	11
11-11.5	4	2	3	9	12		12
12-12.5	2	3	11	2	4		4
13-13.5		2	2	2	2	3	5
14-14.5	2	1	3	5	8	2	10
15-15.5	2	1	1	1			0
16-16.5			2	1			0
17-17.5					1		1
18-18.5					•		0
19-19.5			1				0
20-20.5			1				0
21-21.5			•	1			0
Total	64	52	70	87	118	34	152
TOtal	04	52	70	01	110	34	102
RSD14	9.8	6.1	18.2	14.8	16.4	11.8	15.3
RSD18	0.0	0.0	4.5	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mean	4.5	4.5	4.1	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.7

Table 8. Length distribution of largemouth bass captured (Catch) and recaptured (Recap) at Dewart Lake in spring 2006 (Catch does not include recaptured fish).

	04/26/06	04/26/06	05/03/06	05/03/06	05/10/06	05/10/06	05/17/06	05/17/06	Total		Total	
Inches	Catch	Recap	Catch	Recap	Catch	Recap	Catch	Recap	Catch	Percent	Recaps	Percent
<=3	1	0	6	0	3	0	1	0	11	0.9	0	0.0
3.5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0.1	0	0.0
4.0	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	5	0.4	1	8.0
4.5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2		0	0.0
5.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2		0	0.0
5.5	6	0	3	0	4	0	3	0	16		0	0.0
6.0	11	0	25	1	22	3	14	1	72		5	3.8
6.5 7.0	35 31	0	34 42	6 5	38 29	5 5	30 26	9 10	137 128	10.7 10.0	20 20	15.3 15.3
7.0	14	0	34	1	29 28	5	18	0	94		6	4.6
8.0	18	0	27	2	21	6	16	3	82		11	8.4
8.5	16	0	21	0	11	2	11	2	59		4	3.1
9.0	16	0	19	1	12	2	11	4	58	4.5	7	5.3
9.5	9	0	10	1	13	1	8	0	40		2	1.5
10.0	14	0	10	1	12		4	2	40		5	3.8
10.5	26	0	19	0	15	0	9	0	69	5.4	0	0.0
11.0	26	0	25	5	11	3	11	1	73	5.7	9	6.9
11.5	23	0	17	0	14	2	12	4	66	5.1	6	4.6
12.0	16	0	18	2	10	1	5	4	49	3.8	7	5.3
12.5	16	0	13	1	13	1	12	2	54	4.2	4	3.1
13.0	8	0	14	1	13	2	3	4	38	3.0	7	5.3
13.5	14	0	10	0	10	1	3	1	37	2.9	2	1.5
14.0	6	0	9	0	7	0	5	2	27		2	1.5
14.5	8	0	7	0	6	0	8	1	29	2.3	1	0.8
15.0	4	0	4	0	6	2	6	3	20		5	3.8
15.5	3	0	7	0	8	0	3	2	21	1.6	2	1.5
16.0	4	0	4	0	3	0	2	1	13		1	0.8
16.5	4	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	7		1	0.8
17.0	4	0	2	1	2	0	0	1	8	0.6	2	1.5
17.5 18.0	3 2	0	5 3	0	1 1	0	0 2	0	9	0.7 0.6	0 1	0.0 0.8
18.5	1	0	3 2	0	0	0	0	0	3		0	0.8
19.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3 1	0.2	0	0.0
19.5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0.1	0	0.0
20.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1	0	0.0
20.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1	0	0.0
21.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
21.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0.0
>=22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0.0
Number	342	0	394	28	318	45	228	58	1282		131	
Seconds	12630		11596		11393		11433		47052			
<8 in	99	0	147	13	127	18	95	21	468		52	
8-11.5 in	148	0	148	10	109	18	82	16	487		44	
12-13.5 in	54	0	55	4	46	5	23	11	178		20	
14-17.5 in	36	0	38	1	34	3	26	10	134		14	
>=18 in	5	0	6	0	2	1	2	0	15		1	

Table 9. Nightly electrofishing effort in second (S), catches (C), marked bass at large (M), recaptures (R), Schnabel population estimate (N), and standard error (SE) of 8-inch and larger largemouth bass in Dewart Lake during April-May, 2006.

Date	S	C	M	R	N	SE
4/26/06	12,630	243	0	0	0	0
5/03/06	11,596	262	243	15	3,979	995
5/10/06	11,393	218	490	27	3,965	605
5/17/06	11,433	170	681	37	3,578	400

Table 10. Size and age composition of the largemouth bass population at Dewart Lake in spring 2006.

Length	Catch	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysi	is (scales/half-inch) Age Composition (numb							ber/ag	e)					
(in)			Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3.0	11	0.9	0.01	6								11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3.5	1	0.1	0.02	1								1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.0	5	0.4	0.03	1								5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.5	2	0.2	0.04	1								2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5.0	2	0.2	0.06		1							0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
5.5	16	1.2	0.08		4							0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
6.0	72	5.6	0.10		5							0	72	0	0	0	0	0	0
6.5	137	10.7	0.13		7	3						0	96	41	0	0	0	0	0
7.0	128	10.0	0.16		5	3						0	80	48	0	0	0	0	0
7.5	94	7.3	0.20		4	5						0	42	52	0	0	0	0	0
8.0	82	6.4	0.25		3	6						0	27	55	0	0	0	0	0
8.5	59	4.6	0.30			8						0	0	59	0	0	0	0	0
9.0	58	4.5	0.35			8						0	0	58	0	0	0	0	0
9.5	40	3.1	0.42			3	3					0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0
10.0	40	3.1	0.49			1	6					0	0	6	34	0	0	0	0
10.5	69	5.4	0.57				8					0	0	0	69	0	0	0	0
11.0	73	5.7	0.65				10					0	0	0	73	0	0	0	0
11.5	66	5.1	0.75				7	1				0	0	0	58	8	0	0	0
12.0	49	3.8	0.85				7	2				0	0	0	38	11	0	0	0
12.5	54	4.2	0.97				5	5				0	0	0	27	27	0	0	0
13.0	38	3.0	1.09				1	7	1			0	0	0	4	30	4	0	0
13.5	37	2.9	1.23				1	9				0	0	0	4	33	0	0	0
14.0	27	2.1	1.37					8	1			0	0	0	0	24	3	0	0
14.5	29	2.3	1.53					9	1			0	0	0	0	26	3	0	0
15.0	20	1.6	1.70					3	2			0	0	0	0	12	8	0	0
15.5	21	1.6	1.88					3	4			0	0	0	0	9	12	0	0
16.0	13	1.0	2.07					1	5	2		0	0	0	0	2	8	3	0
16.5	7	0.5	2.28							4		0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0
17.0	8	0.6	2.49						1	2		0	0	0	0	0	3	5	0
17.5	9	0.7	2.73						2	3		0	0	0	0	0	4	5	0
18.0	8	0.6	2.97							3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2
18.5	3	0.2	3.24							3		0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
19.0	1	0.1	3.51							1		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
19.5	1	0.1	3.80								1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
20.0	1	0.1	4.11								1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
20.5	1	0.1	4.44								1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals:	1282			9	29	37	48	48	17	18	4	19	335	339	327	182	45	31	5
							Estim	ated p	opula	tion by	/ age:	80	1411	1427	1378	766	188	131	21
									Mean	lengt	h (in):	3.4	6.7	8.0	11.1	13.5	15.3	17.3	19.2
										Vari	ance:	0.33	0.44	0.87	0.76	1.09	1.37	0.69	1.33

Table 11. Mean back-calculated lengths (inches) of largemouth bass of various year-classes from 1976 through 2005.

Year-class Nur	nber	1	2	3	4	5	6
2006 samples	7	2.0					
2005	7	3.0	C 4				
2004	30 37	2.9 2.5	6.4 5.4	0.2			
2003 2002	3 <i>1</i> 48	2.5 2.9	5. 4 6.0	8.3 8.9	11.1		
2002	40 48	2.8	7.1	6.9 10.3	12.4	12.0	
2001	40 17	2.o 3.1	7.1 7.0	10.3	12.4	13.8 14.5	15.6
	17	3.1	7.0	10.6	12.7	14.5	15.6
2003 samples 2002	15	4.3					
2002	27	4.3 3.3	7.0				
2001	12	3.3 2.8	7.0 7.1	9.3			
1999	5	4.3	8.0	9.3 10.7	12.0		
1998	3	4.3 5.5	9.0	11.0	12.0	13.9	
1995 samples	3	5.5	9.0	11.0	12.7	13.9	
1995 Samples 1994	7	2.7					
1993	23	2.7	6.4				
1992	7	2.4	6.2	9.2			
1991	9	2.4	6.0	9.2	11.1		
1990	5	3.2	6.4	9.5	11.1	12.8	
1989	2	2.9	6.2	9.1	12.2	13.5	15.0
1982 samples	_	2.9	0.2	9.1	12.2	13.3	13.0
1902 samples 1981	13	2.6					
1980	1	2.4	4.3				
1979	20	3.0	5.4	7.9			
1978	5	2.4	5.4	9.0	11.0		
1977	4	2.5	5.9	9.3	11.2	13.0	
1976 samples*	-	2.0	0.0	0.0	11.2	10.0	
1975	8	4.1					
1974	8	2.7	6.4				
1973	13	3.0	5.8	8.4			
1972	8	2.4	5.5	7.8	9.7		
1971	2	2.0	6.1	8.7	9.8	11.4	
1970	3	3.9	8.1	10.7	12.2	13.9	14.6
	•		2		. 		
Overall mean		3.0	6.4	9.3	11.5	13.4	15.1

^{*}denotes no body length: scale length intercept was used in back-calculations.

Table 12. Number of survey days (Days), mean daily count (meanB) and standard deviation (StdevB) of boat anglers, mean daily count (means) and standard deviation (StdevS) of shore anglers, length of a fishing day (Hrs/d), fishing days per month, (Day/m), estimated hours fished by boat anglers (BoatHrs) and shore anglers (ShoreHrs), and total angling effort (TotalHrs) on weekends (we) and weekdays (wd) per month at Dewart Lake, April through October 2006.

Month	Wky	Days	MeanB	StdevB	MeanS	StdevS	Hrs/d	Day/m	BoatHrs	ShoreHrs	TotalHrs
Apr	we	6	6.71	4.52	0.38	0.31	15	8	805	45	850
Apr	wd	15	2.37	2.20	0.71	0.97	15	20	710	212	922
May	we	6	13.75	11.78	0.46	0.90	15	9	1856	62	1918
May	wd	14	4.54	3.60	0.16	0.21	15	22	1497	53	1550
Jun	we	6	25.33	14.15	0.42	0.41	15	8	3040	50	3090
Jun	wd	16	7.94	4.62	0.41	0.57	15	22	2619	134	2753
Jul	we	7	23.21	9.63	0.86	0.80	15	9	3134	116	3250
Jul	wd	16	5.97	5.74	0.20	0.37	15	22	1971	67	2038
Aug	we	7	16.96	5.17	0.32	0.85	15	8	2036	39	2074
Aug	wd	16	5.39	3.96	0.14	0.26	15	23	1858	49	1906
Sep	we	4	9.44	7.41	0.00	0.00	15	10	1416	0	1416
Sep	wd	15	3.52	2.56	0.00	0.00	15	20	1055	0	1055
Oct	we	6	5.71	5.09	0.00	0.00	15	8	685	0	685
Oct	wd	15	1.73	2.09	0.02	0.06	15	18	468	5	473
								Sum	23150	830	23980
								Apr	1515	257	1772
								May	3353	115	3468
								Jun	5659	184	5843
								Jul	5105	183	5288
								Aug	3894	87	3981
								Sep	2471	0	2471
								Oct	1153	5	1158
								Sum	23150	830	23980
							We	ekends	12972	311	13283
							We	ekdays	10179	519	10697
										Total	23980

Table 13. Number of interviewed angler parties who fished for various species of combinations of species at Dewart Lake per month from April through October 2006.

	Boat	angle	r prefe	rence	es			Boat	Shore	e angl	er pre	feren	ces			Shore	Overall	
Species	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Total	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Total	Total	Percent
Anything	4	8	12	12	6	1	1	44		1	2					3	47	4.0
Bass	31	53	44	64	53	49	52	346	7	4	5	3	3		1	23	369	31.5
Bass-bluegill-crappie	1							1								0	1	0.1
Bass-bluegill-sunfish	1							1								0	1	0.1
Bass-crappie	2	2		1		1		6								0	6	0.5
Bass-perch					1			1								0	1	0.1
Bass-pike	4	1	6	5	8	4	2	30								0	30	2.6
Bass-smallmouth	3							3								0	3	0.3
Bass-sunfish	2	2	2					6	1							1	7	0.6
Bluegill	19	32	74	92	87	45	28	377	7	8	8	7	7	4	2	43	420	35.9
Bluegill-bass	7	3	8	4	13	5	3	43			2	2	1			5	48	4.1
Bluegill-crappie	3	1	2		2		2	10								0	10	0.9
Bluegill-perch		1	4		2	1	1	9								0	9	8.0
Bluegill-perch-crappie								0	1							1	1	0.1
Bluegill-pike				1	3	1	2	7								0	7	0.6
Bluegill-smallmouth				1				1								0	1	0.1
Bluegill-sunfish	4	18	28	3	7	1	6	67	3	2						5	72	6.1
Bluegill-sunfish-crappie	1							1								0	1	0.1
Bluegill-walleye			1					1								0	1	0.1
Crappie	3	5	2	5	2	3		20								0	20	1.7
Crappie-perch	1							1								0	1	0.1
Perch	1		1		1	1	2	6	2							2	8	0.7
Pike	11	4	8	11	11	10	6	61	2							2	63	5.4
Smallmouth	1						1	2								0	2	0.2
Sunfish	2	17	5	2		1	1	28	4		1					5	33	2.8
Sunfish-pike						1		1								0	1	0.1
Walleye		1	1	3		1	1	7								0	7	0.6
TOTAL	101	148	198	204	196	125	108	1080	28	15	18	12	11	4	3	91	1171	
	Boat	andle	r resp	nnses				Boat	Shor	anal	er res	nonse	26			Shore	Overall	
Species	Apr				Aug	Sep	Oct	Total	Apr			Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Total	Total	Percent
Anything	4	8	12	12	6	1	1	44	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	47	3.4
Bass	51	61	60	74	75	59	57	437	8	4	7	5	4	0	1	29	466	33.9
Bluegill	36	55	117	100	114	53	42	517	11	10	10	9	8	4	2	54	571	41.6
Crappie	11	8	4	6	4	4	2	39	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	40	2.9
Perch	2	1	5	0	4	2	3	17	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	20	1.5
Pike	15	5	14	17	22	16	10	99	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	101	7.4
Smallmouth	4	0	0	1	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0.4
Sunfish	10	37	35	5	7	3	7	104	8	2	1	0	0	0	0	11	115	8.4
Walleye	0	1	2	3	0	1	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0.4
TOTAL	133	176	249	218	232	139	124	1271	33	17	20	14	12	4	3	103	1374	0.0
IOIAL	100	170	2-3	210	202	103	12-7	1211	33	.,	20		12	7	J	100	1074	

Table 14. Estimated number of monthly fishing hours by boat anglers directed at various species in Dewart Lake from April through October, 2006.

Species	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Total
Anything	46	152	273	281	101	18	9	880
Bass	581	1162	1364	1733	1259	1049	530	7677
Bluegill	410	1048	2659	2342	1913	942	391	9705
Crappie	125	152	91	141	67	71	19	666
Perch	23	19	114	0	67	36	28	286
Pike	171	95	318	398	369	284	93	1729
Smallmouth	46	0	0	23	0	0	9	78
Sunfish	114	705	795	117	117	53	65	1967
Walleye	0	19	45	70	0	18	9	162
Total	1515	3353	5659	5105	3894	2471	1153	23150

Table 15. Estimated harvest of bluegills (BG), crappies (CR), sunfish (SF), northern pike (NP), yellow perch (YP), rock bass (RB), walleyes (WA), smallmouth bass (SB), bullheads (BH), unmarked largemouth bass (ULB), marked largemouth bass (MLB), number of sub-legal bass (R<14) released, number of legal-size bass (R>14), accumulated interview hours (Int Hrs), estimated fishing hours (Fish Hrs), and creel expansion factors (ExpF) used to estimate total harvest and releases by boat and shore anglers (B/S), fishing on weekends (we) or weekdays (wd) at Dewart Lake from April through October 2006.

Month	Wkdy	B/S	BG	CR	SF	NP	ΥP	RB	WA	SB	вн	LINIMK	MRKD	D-11	R>14	Int Hrs	Fish Hrs	ExpF
Apr	we	b b	69	23	56	10	3	8	0				0	247	109	316.48	805.00	2.54
Apr	we	s	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	0	0	7.02	45.00	6.41
Apr	wd	В	263	5	123	5	44	2	2				0	227	49	288.37	710.00	2.46
Apr	wd	s	23	0	132	55	0	0	0				0	23	5	46.53	211.67	4.55
May	we	b	238	12	195	15	0	15	3	-		-	6	944	198	599.72	1856.25	3.10
May	we	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	23	0	8.25	61.88	7.50
May	wd	b	958	68	768	33	15	56	3			50	0	340	180	506.43	1496.79	2.96
May	wd	S	53	0	5	0	0	0	0			0	0	26	0	10.02	53.04	5.30
Jun	we	b	1157	29	648	127	33	41	0	C	C	21	0	775	217	741.12	3040.00	4.10
Jun	we	s	22	0	7	0	0	0	0	C	C	0	0	11	0	13.67	50.00	3.66
Jun	wd	b	2505	22	1113	92	26	81	7	C	C	40	4	546	150	715.18	2619.38	3.66
Jun	wd	S	36	0	7	0	0	4	0	C	C	0	0	11	0	37.13	134.06	3.61
Jul	we	b	556	182	214	14	32	14	0	5	C	32	0	1258	397	687.57	3133.93	4.56
Jul	we	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C	C	0	0	0	0	23.43	115.71	4.94
Jul	wd	b	843	56	357	63	7	56	0	11	7	37	0	505	152	530.62	1971.41	3.72
Jul	wd	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C	C	-	0	0	0	9.70	67.03	6.91
Aug	we	b	729	4	124	36	31	18	0	C	C	53	0	609	240	458.08	2035.71	4.44
Aug	we	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C	C	0	0	6	0	6.75	38.57	5.71
Aug	wd	b	1276	7	394	14	60	18	14	-		-	0	334	112	528.60	1857.97	3.51
Aug	wd	S	28	0	0	0	0	0	0			-	0	19	0	10.27	48.52	4.73
Sep	we	b	342	5	114	0	5	0	0			-	0	380	128	298.07	1415.63	4.75
Sep	we	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		-	-	0	0	0	0.33	0.00	0.00
Sep	wd	b	368	79	96	23	25	0	0				0	218	110	373.08	1055.00	2.83
Sep	wd	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			-	0	0	0	3.25	0.00	0.00
Oct	we	b	58	0	8	1	4	0	0				0	188	58	487.93	685.00	1.40
Oct	we .	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-		•	0	0	0	0.50	0.00	0.00
Oct	wd	b	325	46	56	2	0	0	0			_	0	41	29	193.17	468.00	2.42
Oct	wd	S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	0	0	0.98	4.50	4.58
		Sum	9848	538	4419	489	285	312	30	31	14	289	10	6729	2136			
																Bass		
																	Releases	
Shore	anglers		162	0	152	55	0	4	0	C	C	0	0	118	5	372	123	
Boat a	nglers		9686	538	4267	435	285	308	30	31	14	289	10	6611	2131	15894	8742	
Apr	•		355	28	311	70	47	10	2	3		15	0	496	163	840	659	
May			1249	80	969	48	15	72	6	6	C	72	6	1333	378	2522	1711	
Jun			3720	51	1776	219	58	125	7	C	C	61	4	1343	368	6021	1710	
Jul			1399	238	571	77	39	69	0	16	7	69	0	1763	549	2486	2312	
Aug			2033	11	518	50	91	35	14	C	7	57	0	967	352	2816	1320	
Boat a Apr May Jun Jul	inglers		9686 355 1249 3720 1399	538 28 80 51 238	4267 311 969 1776 571	435 70 48 219 77	285 47 15 58 39	308 10 72 125 69	30 2 6 7	31 3 6 0	14 0 0 0	289 15 72 61 69	10 0 6 4 0	6611 496 1333 1343 1763	2131 163 378 368 549	372 15894 840 2522 6021 2486	8742 659 1711 1710 2312	

Table 16. Size distribution of fish taken by anglers at Dewart Lake, April through October 2006 (BG=bluegill, C=crappie, SF=sunfish, NP=pike, YP=perch, RB=rock bass, WA=walleye, LB=largemouth bass, SB=smallmouth bass, BH=bullhead).

Inches	BG	CR	SF	NP	ΥP	RB	WA	LB	SB	вн
4.0	7									
4.5	10									
5.0	76		4		2					
5.5	249		0		7					
6.0	752		49		12	11				
6.5	1320		137		7	7				
7.0	2485	3	509		52	25				
7.5	2803	3	666		52	36				
8.0	1774	48	940		40	54				
8.5	291	31	687		40	36				
9.0	55	34	740		24	68				
9.5	24	14	389		16	22				
10.0		148	242		14	32				3
10.5		66	21		5	11				4
11.0		79	21		7	7				
11.5		38	11		2	4				4
12.0		41	4		2					
12.5		7			2				3	
13.0		10								
13.5		3						4		
14.0		7						58	3	3
14.5		3					3	33	3	
15.0								51	6	
15.5								33	3	
16.0								40	6	
16.5							3	22	3	
17.0							3	33	3	
17.5							_	15	_	
18.0								4	3	
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19.5							ŭ	7		
20.0				14			3	•		
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21.0				68			3			
21.5				14			Ü			
22.0				61			3			
22.5				٠.			ŭ			
23.0				20			3			
23.5				14			3			
24.0				75						
25.0				27						
25.5										
26.0				41						
27.0				27						
28.0				34						
29.0				14						
30.0				7						
31.0				14						
32.0				14						
34.0				7						
35.0				7						
37.0				7						
Total	9848	538	4419	489	285	312	30	299	31	14

Table 17. Number of angler parties who rated fish as good, fair, or poor based on their species preference at Dewart Lake, April through October 2006.

Species	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Anything	29	15	3	47
Bluegill	295	94	31	420
Bluegill-crappie	6	3	1	10
Bluegill-bass	34	8	6	48
Bluegill-pike	5	1	1	7
Bluegill-sunfish	64	7	1	72
Bluegill-sunfish-crappie	1			1
Bluegill-walleye	1			1
Bluegill-smallmouth	1			1
Bluegill perch	4	4	1	9
Bluegill-perch-crappie	1			1
Crappie	13	5	2	20
Crappie-perch		1		1
Bass	265	84	20	369
Bass-bluegill-crappie	1			1
Bass-bluegill-sunfish	1			1
Bass-crappie	5		1	6
Bass-pike	23	8		31
Bass-sunfish	7			7
Bass-smallmouth	3			3
Pike	54	7	2	63
Sunfish	28	4	1	33
Sunfish-pike			1	1
Walleye	4	2	1	7
Smallmouth	2			2
Perch	5	3		8
Perch-bass		1		1
Total	852	247	72	1171
Species	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Anything -	29	15	3	47
Bass	339	101	27	467
Bluegill	414	117	41	572
Crappie	27	9	4	40
Perch	10	9	1	20
Pike	82	16	4	102
Smallmouth	5	0	0	5
Sunfish	101	11	3	115
Walleye	5	2	1	8
Total	1012	280	84	1376

Table 18. Number and percent of interviewed anglers who were lake visitors (Vis) or lake residents (Res) who thought there were "too many weeds" in Dewart Lake from April through October 2006.

			"No"		"Unsure"				"Yes"		Total	Total	Total
		Vis	Res	All	Vis	Res	All	Vis	Res	All	Vis	Res	All
Apr	Count	39	21	60	13	4	17	32	20	52	84	45	129
	Percent	46.4	46.7	46.5	15.5	8.9	13.2	38.1	44.4	40.3			
						_	4.0		4.0		4.40		400
May	Count	61	35	96	14	2	16	35	16	51	110	53	163
	Percent	55.5	66.0	58.9	12.7	3.8	9.8	31.8	30.2	31.3			
Jun	Count	77	26	103	23	5	28	61	24	85	161	55	216
Juli		l									101	33	210
	Percent	47.8	47.3	47.7	14.3	9.1	13.0	37.9	43.6	39.4			
Jul	Count	112	49	161	18	2	20	23	12	35	153	63	216
	Percent	73.2	77.8	74.5	11.8	3.2	9.3	15.0	19.0	16.2			
		7 0.2		,		0.2	0.0	.0.0	10.0				
Aug	Count	102	96	198	1	1	2	5	2	7	108	99	207
	Percent	94.4	97.0	95.7	0.9	1.0	1.0	4.6	2.0	3.4			
		•		00	0.0					• • •			
Sep	Count	75	54	129	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	54	129
•	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	_								
Oct	Count	82	29	111	0	0	0	0	0	0	82	29	111
	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0									
Total	Count	548	310	858	69	14	83	156	74	230	773	398	1171
	Percent	70.9	77.9	73.3	8.9	3.5	7.1	20.2	18.6	19.6			

Table 19. Number and percent of interviewed boat anglers who thought there were "too many weeds" in Dewart Lake from April through October 2006.

Species	"No"	%	"Unsure"	%	"Yes"	%	Total
Anything	25	56.8	3	6.8	16	36.4	44
Bluegill only	286	75.9	17	4.5	74	19.6	377
Bluegill-sunfish	45	67.2	4	6.0	18	26.9	67
Crappie only	13	65.0	0	0.0	7	35.0	20
Bass only	277	80.1	17	4.9	52	15.0	346
Bass-pike	23	85.2	1	3.7	3	11.1	27
Pike only	50	83.3	1	1.7	9	15.0	60
Sunfish only	20	71.4	2	7.1	6	21.4	28

Table 20. Number and percent of interviewed boat anglers who fished solely for bluegills, bass or pike who thought there were "too many weeds" in Dewart Lake from April through October 2006.

Bluegill ang	lers						
Month	"No"	%	"Unsure"	%	"Yes"	%	Total
April	9	47.4	1	5.3	9	47.4	19
May	13	40.6	3	9.4	16	50.0	32
June	36	48.6	5	6.8	33	44.6	74
July	71	77.2	8	8.7	13	14.1	92
August	84	96.6	0	0.0	3	3.4	87
September	45	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	45
October	28	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	28
_							
Bass angler							
Month	"No"	%	"Unsure"	%	"Yes"	%	Total
April	16	51.6	4	12.9	11	35.5	31
May	37	69.8	3	5.7	13	24.5	53
June	19	43.2	8	18.2	17	38.6	44
July	52	81.3	2	3.1	10	15.6	64
August	52	98.1	0	0.0	1	1.9	53
September	49	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	49
October	52	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	52
Pike anglers	•						
Month	"No"	%	"Unsure"	%	"Yes"	%	Total
April	4	40.0	1	10.0	5	50.0	101
May	4	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4
June	5	62.5	0	0.0	3	37.5	8
July	10	90.9	0	0.0	1	9.1	11
August	11	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	11
September	10	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	10
October	6	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
October	ь	100.0	U	0.0	U	0.0	6

Table 21. Number and percent of interviewed boat anglers who thought there were "too many weeds" in Dewart Lake from April through October 2006 based on perceptions of fishing quality.

	"Too ma	ny weed	s?"				
Quality	"No"	%	"Unsure"	%	"Yes"	%	Total
Good	52	75.4	2	2.9	15	21.7	69
Fair	148	66.7	22	9.9	52	23.4	222
Poor	614	77.8	30	3.8	145	18.4	789

FISH SURVEY	REPOR	Т	Type of survey			
Indiana Division of Fis	_		Initial:	Re-survey:	Х	
Lake name			County		Date of surve	y (Month, day, year)
Dewart Lake			Kosciusko		6/12-14 an	d 7/17-18/06
Biologist's name			•			
Jed Pearson						
			LOCATION			
Quadrangle name			Range		Section	
Lessburg/Milford			6E, 7E		25, 36, and	d 30, 31
Township			Nearest town			
34N			Leesburg			
			ACCESSIBILITY			
State owned public access	site	Privately owr	ned public access site	Э	Other access	site
Northwest corner of la						_
Surface acres	Maximum de		Average depth (ft) 16.3	Acre feet	Water level (msl)	Extreme fluctuations (ft)
551	551 82			8,629	867.57	3.7
			INLETS			
Name Cable Run		Location southeast	corner		Origin runoff	
Unnamed		northeast		runoff		
			OUTLET			
Name		Location				
Hammond Ditch		Northwest	corner to Waube	ee Lake		
Water level control						
Steel, sheet-piling dar	n					
POOL	4	ELE	VATION (Feet MSL)		ACRES	Bottom type
TOP OF DAM	И					Boulder X
TOP OF FLOOD CONT	ROL POOL					Gravel X Sand X
TOP OF CONSERVAT	ION POOL					Muck X
TOP OF MINIMUM	POOL					Clay X Marl X
STREAMBE)					1
Watershed use						
General farming and	woodlots					
Development of shoreline Nearly all of the shore	line except	the middle s	section of the sou	uth shorelii	ne is residential	ly developed.
Previous surveys and inves	stigations					
Hydrographic map, U	SGS,1962:	Fish surveys	s, IDNR,1976,198	82,1995,20	003: Walleye ev	aluations, IDNR,

1982-84: Water chemistry, IDNR,1972; Plant plan, LARE, 2005; Diagnostic study, LARE, 2005.

SA	MPLING EFFORT		
ELECTROFISHING	Day hours	Night hours	Total hours
	June sampling	0.96	0.96 (includes 0.21 bass only)
TRAPS	Number of traps	Days	Total lifts
	June sampling		3
GILL NETS	Number of nets	Days	Total lifts
	June sampling		5

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS								
Color	Turbidity							
Blue-green (June sampling)	16 Feet	0 Inches (Secchi disk)						

TEMPERATURE, DISSOLVED OXYGEN (ppm), TOTAL ALKALINITY (ppm), pH											
Depth (ft)	Degrees F	Oxygen*			Depth (ft)	Degrees F	Oxygen*				
Surface	70.5	8.1			50	50.2	0.5				
2	70.5	8.1			52	50.0	0.4				
4	70.5	8.1			54	49.8	0.4				
5	70.5	8.0			55	49.6	0.3				
6	70.3	8.0			56	49.5	0.3				
8	70.3	8.0			58	49.3	0.3				
10	70.3	8.0			60	49.3	0.3				
12	70.3	8.1			62	49.1	0.3				
14	70.3	8.0			64	49.1	0.3				
15	68.9	8.2			65	49.1	0.3				
16	66.4	8.5			66	49.1	0.3				
18	64.2	8.0			68	49.1	0.3				
20	63.0	8.0			70	49.1	0.3				
22	61.3	7.5			72	48.9	0.3				
24	60.4	7.0			74	48.9	0.2				
25	60.1	6.4			75	48.9	0.2				
26	59.7	6.2			76	48.9	0.2				
28	59.2	5.6			78	48.9	0.2				
30	58.8	5.2			80	48.9	0.2				
32	58.5	4.9			82						
34	57.9	4.8			84						
35	57.7	4.6			Sampling date	e:					
36	57.6	4.5				Surface	Bottom				
38	56.7	4.1			pН	9.0	8.0				
40	55.8	3.8			Alkalinity*	120	137				
42	54.3	2.8									
44	52.9	1.9									
45	52.3	1.4									
46	51.8	1.2									
48	50.5	0.5									

*ppm = parts per million

SA	MPLING EFFORT		
ELECTROFISHING	Day hours	Night hours	Total hours
	July sampling	0.75	0.75
TRAPS	Number of traps	Days	Total lifts
	July sampling		2
GILL NETS	Number of nets	Days	Total lifts
	July sampling		3

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS												
Color	Turbidity											
Blue-green (July sampling)	10 Feet	0 Inches (Secchi disk)										

	TEMF	PERATURE, D	ISSOLVED C	XYGEN (ppm), TOT	AL ALKALINITY	(ppm), pH		
Depth (ft)	Degrees F	Oxygen*			Depth (ft)	Degrees F	Oxygen*	
Surface	82.6	6.4			50	51.6	0.2	
2	82.6	6.3			52			
4	82.6	6.3			54			
5	82.6	6.2			55	50.5	0.2	
6	82.6	6.2			56			
8	82.6	6.1			58			
10	81.0	5.8			60	50.4	0.2	
12	78.4	5.3			62			
14	76.6	4.5			64			
15	75.4	3.8			65	50.4	0.2	
16	74.3	3.2			66			
18	71.2	2.0			68			
20	67.3	0.7			70	50.2	0.2	
22	64.9	0.4			72			
24	63.0	0.4			74			
25	61.9	0.3			75	50.0	0.2	
26	60.6	0.3			76			
28	59.7	0.2			78			
30	59.0	0.2			80			
32					82			
34					84			
35	57.6	0.2			Sampling date	e:		
36						Surface	Bottom	
38					pН	9.0	8.0	
40	55.8	0.2			Alkalinity*	120	137	
42					Conductivity			
44					TDS			
45	54.9	0.2						
46								
48								

*ppm = parts per million

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d ag	uatic	plan	ts in	Dewa	art La	ake		
	naanoo	o. oa	D0100	a aq	uuuo	Piai			<u> </u>	0		
County:	Kosciusk	0		Sites	with p	lants:	102		Me	an s	pecies/site:	2.35
Date:	5/24/05		Sites	with n	ative p	lants:	100		Standa	ard e	rror (ms/s):	0.12
Secchi (ft):	21.0		Ve	egetat	ed site	s (%)	96.2	Me	an nat	ive s	pecies/site:	1.46
Maximum plant depth (ft):	26.5				of spe		12	S			or (mns/s):	0.09
Trophic status:	meso		Number				10			•	s diversity:	0.85
Total sites:	106		Maxir	num s	species	s/site:	6	Na	ative s	pecie	s diversity:	0.82
Depth (0 to 20 ft)	Occurre	ongo	Daka	cooro	obcor	vation	s (N,%	\ nor c	naaiaa		Pla	ant
,					ODSEI				•			
Common Name	Frequen	Cy (%)	0	%	I	%	3	%	5	%	Domi	nance
Eurasian water milfoil	60	56.6	46	43.4	27	25.5	17	16.0	16	15.1		29.8
Chara	43	40.6	63	59.4	20	18.9	18	17.0	5	4.7		18.7
Curly-leaf pondweed	34	32.1	72	67.9	22	20.8	8	7.5	4	3.8		12.5
Coontail	36	34.0	70	66.0	26	24.5	9	8.5	1	0.9		10.9
Flat-stem pondweed	23	21.7	83	78.3	16	15.1	7	6.6	0	0.0		7.0
Long-leaf pondweed	16	15.1	90	84.9	15	14.2	1	0.9	0	0.0		3.4
Northern water milfoil	14	13.2	92	86.8	14	13.2	0	0.0	0	0.0		2.6
Common naiad	10	9.4	96	90.6	10	9.4	0	0.0	0	0.0		1.9
Elodea	2	1.9	104	98.1	1	0.9	0	0.0	1	0.9		1.1
Variable pondweed	6	5.7	100	94.3	6	5.7	0	0.0	0	0.0		1.1
Eel grass	4	3.8	102	96.2	3	2.8	1	0.9	0	0.0		1.1
Bladderwort	1	0.9	105	99.1	1	0.9	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.2
Filamentous algae	18	17.0										

County:	Kosciusk	0		Sites	with p	lants:	102		Ме	ean sp	ecies/site:
Date:			Sites	with n			99				ror (ms/s):
Secchi (ft):	7.5			egetat			100.0				ecies/site:
Maximum plant depth (ft):	21.0		N	umber	of sp	ecies:	17	S	tanda	rd erro	or (mns/s):
Trophic status:			Number				15			•	s diversity:
Total sites:	102		Maxii	mum s	pecie	s/site:	6	Na	ative s	species	s diversity:
Depth (0 to 20 ft)	Occurr	ence	Rake	score	obser	vation	s (N,%) per s _l	pecie	s	Pla
Common Name	Frequen	су (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domi
Eurasian water milfoil	61	59.8	41	40.2	22	21.6	14	13.7	25	24.5	
Chara	52	51.0	50	49.0	8	7.8	21	20.6	23	22.5	
Coontail	44	43.1	58	56.9	15	14.7	17	16.7	12	11.8	
Water stargrass	19	18.6	83	81.4	8	7.8	9	8.8	2	2.0	
Common naiad	19	18.6	83	81.4	14	13.7	5	4.9	0	0.0	
Sago pondweed	13	12.7	89	87.3	5	4.9	8	7.8	0	0.0	
Illinois pondweed	12	11.8	90	88.2	7	6.9	5	4.9	0	0.0	
Variable pondweed	14	13.7	88	86.3	11	10.8	3	2.9	0	0.0	
Large-leaf pondweed	6	5.9	96	94.1	2	2.0	4	3.9	0	0.0	
Elodea	4	3.9	98	96.1	1	1.0	2	2.0	1	1.0	
Flat-stem pondweed	3	2.9	99	97.1	2	2.0	1	1.0	0	0.0	
Floating leaf pondweed	1	1.0	101	99.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.0	
Curly-leaf pondweed	2	2.0	100	98.0	2	2.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Bladderwort	1	1.0	101	99.0	1	1.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Eel grass	1	1.0	101	99.0	1	1.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Leafy pondweed	1	1.0	101	99.0	1	1.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Northern water milfoil	1	1.0	101	99.0	1	1.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Filamentous algae	10	9.8									

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d aq	uatic	plar	nts in	Dewa	art La	ake		
,	Kosciusko)			with p		44		Me	ean sp	ecies/site:	2.41
Date:	8/1/05		Sites	with n	ative p	lants:	44		Stand	ard er	ror (ms/s):	0.20
Secchi (ft):	7.5		Ve	egetat	ed site	s (%)	100.0	Ме	an nat	ive sp	ecies/site:	2.11
Maximum plant depth (ft):	21.0		N	umbei	r of sp	ecies:	13	S	tanda	rd erro	or (mns/s):	0.17
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nat	ive sp	ecies:	12		S	pecies	s diversity:	0.81
Total sites:	44		Maxir	num s	specie	s/site:	5	Na	ative s	pecies	s diversity:	0.77
Depth (0 to 5 ft)	Occurre	ence	Rake	score	obser	vation	s (N,%)) per s	pecies	3	Pla	ınt
Common Name	Frequenc	cy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domi	nance
			_									
Chara	39	88.6	5	11.4	4	9.1	18	40.9	17	38.6		65.0
Eurasian water milfoil	13	29.5	31	70.5	6	13.6	6	13.6	1	2.3		13.2
Common naiad	13	29.5	31	70.5	9	20.5	4	9.1	0	0.0		9.5
Variable pondweed	12	27.3	32	72.7	10	22.7	2	4.5	0	0.0		7.3
Illinois pondweed	9	20.5	35	79.5	6	13.6	3	6.8	0	0.0		6.8
Coontail	6	13.6	38	86.4	4	9.1	0	0.0	2	4.5		6.4
Water stargrass	5	11.4	39	88.6	2	4.5	3	6.8	0	0.0		5.0
Large-leaf pondweed	2	4.5	42	95.5	0	0.0	2	4.5	0	0.0		2.7
Flat-stem pondweed	2	4.5	42	95.5	1	2.3	1	2.3	0	0.0		1.8
Sago pondweed	2	4.5	42	95.5	1	2.3	1	2.3	0	0.0		1.8
Elodea	1	2.3	43	97.7	0	0.0	1	2.3	0	0.0		1.4
Floating-leaf pondweed	1	2.3	43	97.7	0	0.0	1	2.3	0	0.0		1.4
Northern water milfoil	1	2.3	43	97.7	1	2.3	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.5
Filamentous algae	1	2.3										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d aq	uatio	: plar	nts in	Dew	art La	ake		
				-		-						
,	Kosciusk	0				olants:	33		Me	an sp	ecies/site:	2.82
Date:	8/1/05		Sites	with n	ative p	olants:	30		Standa	ard er	or (ms/s):	0.24
Secchi (ft):	7.5		Ve	egetat	ed site	es (%)	100.0	Me	an nat	ive sp	ecies/site:	2.03
Maximum plant depth (ft):	21.0		N	umber	of sp	ecies:	13	S	tanda	rd erro	or (mns/s):	0.24
Trophic status:	meso		Number							•	diversity:	0.85
Total sites:	33		Maxii	num s	specie	s/site:	6	N	ative s	pecies	diversity:	0.85
Depth (5 to 10 ft)	Occurre	ence	Rake	score	obser	vation	s (N,%)) per s	pecies	3	Pla	ınt
Common Name	Frequen	cy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domii	nance
Eurasian water milfoil	26	78.8	7	21.2	7	21.2	4	12.1	15	45.5		57.0
Chara	12	36.4	21	63.6	4	12.1	3	9.1	5	15.2		23.0
Coontail	15	45.5	18	54.5	6	18.2	8	24.2	1	3.0		21.2
Water stargrass	12	36.4	21	63.6	5	15.2	5	15.2	2	6.1		18.2
Sago pondweed	9	27.3	24	72.7	3	9.1	6	18.2	0	0.0		12.7
large-leaf pondweed	4	12.1	29	87.9	2	6.1	2	6.1	0	0.0		4.8
Common naiad	6	18.2	27	81.8	5	15.2	1	3.0	0	0.0		4.8
Illinois pondweed	3	9.1	30	90.9	1	3.0	2	6.1	0	0.0		4.2
Elodea	1	3.0	32	97.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.0		3.0
Variable pondweed	2	6.1	31	93.9	1	3.0	1	3.0	0	0.0		2.4
Flat-stem pondweed	1	3.0	32	97.0	1	3.0	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.6
Eel grass	1	3.0	32	97.0	1	3.0	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.6
Leafy pondweed	1	3.0	32	97.0	1	3.0	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.6
Filamentous algae	7	21.2										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	ot su	bmerse	ed aq	uatic	: pıar	nts in	Dewa	art L	аке		
County:	Kosciusk	0		Sites	with p	lants:	13		Ме	ean sp	ecies/site:	2.38
Date:	8/1/05		Sites	with na			13				or (ms/s):	0.22
Secchi (ft):	7.5		Ve	egetate	ed site	s (%)	100.0	Me	an nat	tive sp	ecies/site:	1.38
Maximum plant depth (ft):	21.0		N	umber	of sp	ecies:	8	S	tanda	rd erro	r (mns/s):	0.19
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nati	ive sp	ecies:	6		S	pecies	diversity:	0.73
Total sites:	13		Maxii	mum s	pecie	s/site:	4	Na	ative s	pecies	diversity:	0.59
Donth / 10 to 15 ft)	00000		Daka		abaa.		~ /NI 0/ '			_	Dia	
Depth (10 to 15 ft)	Occurr				obser		s (N,%)	•			Pla	
Common Name	Frequen	cy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domi	nance
Eurasian water milfoil	11	84.6	2	15.4	4	30.8	1	7.7	6	46.2		56.9
Coontail	11	84.6	2	15.4	3	23.1	5	38.5	3	23.1		50.8
Chara	1	7.7	12	92.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	7.7		7.7
Sago pondweed	2	15.4	11	84.6	1	7.7	1	7.7	0	0.0		6.2
Water stargrass	2	15.4	11	84.6	1	7.7	1	7.7	0	0.0		6.2
Elodea	1	7.7	12	92.3	0	0.0	1	7.7	0	0.0		4.6
Curly-leaf pondweed	2	15.4	11	84.6	2	15.4	0	0.0	0	0.0		3.1
Bladderwort	1	7.7	12	92.3	1	7.7	0	0.0	0	0.0		1.5
Filamentous algae	1	7.7										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d aq	uatio	plar	nts in	Dew	art L	ake		
County:	Kosciusk	(0		Sites	with c	lants:	12		М	ean so	ecies/site:	2.00
Date:			Sites	with na							ror (ms/s):	0.13
Secchi (ft):	7.5		Ve	egetate	ed site	es (%)	100.0	Ме	an na	tive sp	ecies/site:	1.08
Maximum plant depth (ft):	21.0		N	umber	of sp	ecies:	3	S	tanda	rd erro	or (mns/s):	0.09
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nati	ve sp	ecies:	2		5	Specie	s diversity:	0.54
Total sites:	12		Maxir	num s	pecie	s/site:	3	Na	ative s	specie	s diversity:	0.14
Depth (15 to 20 ft)	Occurr	ence	Rake	score	obser	vation	s (N,%) per s	pecie	s	Pla	ınt
Common Name	Frequer	ncy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domi	nance
Coontail	12	100.0	0	0.0	2	16.7	4	33.3	6	50.0		73.3
Eurasian water milfoil	11	91.7	1	8.3	5	41.7	3	25.0	3	25.0		48.3
Elodea	1	8.3	11	91.7	1	8.3	0	0.0	0	0.0		1.7
Filamentous algae	1	8.3										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d aq	uatic	plan	ts in	Dewa	art La	ıke		
County:	Kosciusk	0		Sites	with p	lants:	80		Me	an sp	ecies/site:	1.14
Date:	7/31/06		Sites	with na	ative p	lants:	80	;	Standa	ard en	ror (ms/s):	0.07
Secchi (ft):	11.0		Ve	egetate	ed site	s (%)	88.9	Me	an nati	ive sp	ecies/site:	1.12
Maximum plant depth (ft):	20.0		N	umber	of spe	ecies:	10	S	tandar	d erro	or (mns/s):	0.07
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nati	ive spe	ecies:	9		S	pecies	s diversity:	0.72
Total sites:	90		Maxir	num s	pecies	s/site:	3	Na	ative s _l	pecies	s diversity:	0.71
Depth (0 to 20 ft)	Occurr	ence	Rake	score	obser	vations	(N,%)	per s	pecies	i	Pla	ınt
Common Name	Frequen	ıcy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domi	nance
Chara	34	37.8	56	62.2	9	10.0	15	16.7	10	11.1		23.1
Coontail	39	43.3	51	56.7	21	23.3	16	17.8	2	2.2		17.6
Water stargrass	15	16.7	75	83.3	15	16.7	0	0.0	0	0.0		3.3
Flat-stem pondweed	5	5.6	85	94.4	5	5.6	0	0.0	0	0.0		1.1
Common naiad	2	2.2	88	97.8	1	1.1	1	1.1	0	0.0		0.9
Curly-leaf pondweed	2	2.2	88	97.8	2	2.2	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.4
Large-leaf pondweed	2	2.2	88	97.8	2	2.2	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.4
Variable pondweed	2	2.2	88	97.8	2	2.2	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.4
Eel grass	1	1.1	89	98.9	1	1.1	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.2
Nitella	1	1.1	89	98.9	1	1.1	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.2
Filamentous algae	11	12.2										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d aq	uatic	plan	ts in	Dewa	art La	ake		
County	Kosciusk	0		Sites	with p	lante:	28		\ <i>1</i> .	an ene	ecies/site:	1.13
•		.0	0.4		•					•		
Date:	7/31/06		Sites	with na	ative p	lants:	28		Stand	ard err	or (ms/s):	0.11
Secchi (ft):	11.0		Ve	egetate	ed site	s (%)	93.3	Me	an nat	tive spe	ecies/site:	1.13
Maximum plant depth (ft):	20.0		N	umber	of spe	ecies:	7	S	tanda	rd erro	r (mns/s):	0.11
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nati	ve spe	ecies:	7		S	pecies	diversity:	0.48
Total sites:	30		Maxir	num s	pecies	s/site:	3	Na	ative s	pecies	diversity:	0.48
Depth (0 to 5 ft)	Occurr	ence	Rake	score	obser	vations	(N,%)	per s	pecies	3	Pla	nt
Common Name	Frequen	су (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domii	nance
Chara	24	80.0	6	20.0	7	23.3	10	33.3	7	23.3		48.0
Coontail	3	10.0	27	90.0	2	6.7	1	3.3	0	0.0		3.3
Water stargrass	3	10.0	27	90.0	3	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0		2.0
Common naiad	1	3.3	29	96.7	1	3.3	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.7
Flat-stem pondweed	1	3.3	29	96.7	1	3.3	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.7
Large-leaf pondweed	1	3.3	29	96.7	1	3.3	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.7
Variable pondweed	1	3.3	29	96.7	1	3.3	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.7
Filamentous algae	4	13.3										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d aq	uatic	plan	ts in	Dewa	art La	ıke		
County:	Kosciusk	n		Sites	with p	lants:	22		Me	an sn	ecies/site:	1.08
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	7/31/06		Sites		•		22				or (ms/s):	0.14
Secchi (ft):	11.0		Ve	egetate	ed site	s (%)	84.6	Me	an nati	ve sp	ecies/site:	1.08
Maximum plant depth (ft):	20.0		N	umber	of spe	ecies:	6	S	tandar	d erro	r (mns/s):	0.14
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nati	ive spe	ecies:	6		S	pecies	diversity:	0.74
Total sites:	26		Maxir	num s	pecies	s/site:	3	Na	ative s	oecies	diversity:	0.74
Depth (5 to 10 ft)	Occurr	ence	Rake	score	obser	vations	s (N,%)	per s	pecies		Pla	ınt
Common Name	Frequen	cy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domi	nance
Chara	8	30.8	18	69.2	2	7.7	4	15.4	2	7.7		18.5
Coontail	10	38.5	16	61.5	7	26.9	3	11.5	0	0.0		12.3
Water stargrass	6	23.1	20	76.9	6	23.1	0	0.0	0	0.0		4.6
Flat-stem pondweed	2	7.7	24	92.3	2	7.7	0	0.0	0	0.0		1.5
Eel grass	1	3.8	25	96.2	1	3.8	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.8
Variable pondweed	1	3.8	25	96.2	1	3.8	0	0.0	0	0.0		0.8
Filamentous algae	4	15.4										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	d aq	uatic	plan	ts in	Dewa	art La	ıke		
County:	Kosciusk	0		Sites	with p	lants:	21		Ме	an spe	cies/site:	1.25
Date:	7/31/06		Sites	with na	ative p	lants:	21		Standa	ard erro	or (ms/s):	0.17
Secchi (ft):	11.0		Ve	egetate	ed site	s (%)	87.5	Me	an nati	ve spe	cies/site:	1.17
Maximum plant depth (ft):	20.0		N	umber	of spe	ecies:	7	S	tandar	d error	(mns/s):	0.16
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nati	ive spe	ecies:	6		Sp	pecies	diversity:	0.60
Total sites:	24		Maxir	num s	pecies	s/site:	3	Na	ative sp	oecies	diversity:	0.55
Depth (10 to 15 ft)	Occurr	ence	Rake	score	obser	vations	s (N,%)	per s	pecies		Pla	nt
Common Name	Frequen	icy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domii	nance
Coontail	18	75.0	6	25.0	9	37.5	7	29.2	2	8.3		33.3
Chara	2	8.3	22	91.7	0	0.0	1	4.2	1	4.2		6.7
Water stargrass	5	20.8	19	79.2	5	20.8	0	0.0	0	0.0		4.2
Common naiad	4	16.7	23	95.8	0	0.0	1	4.2	0	0.0		2.5
Curly-leaf pondweed	2	8.3	22	91.7	2	8.3	0	0.0	0	0.0		1.7
Flat-stem pondweed	1	4.2	23	95.8	1	4.2	0	0.0	0	0.0		8.0
Large-leaf pondweed	1	4.2	23	95.8	1	4.2	0	0.0	0	0.0		8.0
Filamentous algae	2	8.3										

Occurrence and abu	ndance	of su	bmerse	ed aq	uatic	plan	ıts in	Dewa	art La	ake		
County:	Kosciusk	0		Sites	with p	lants:	9		Me	an spe	ecies/site:	1.10
Date:	7/31/06		Sites	with na	ative p	lants:	9	:	Standa	ard err	or (ms/s):	0.19
Secchi (ft):	11.0		Ve	egetate	ed site	s (%)	90.0	Mea	an nat	ive spe	ecies/site:	1.10
Maximum plant depth (ft):	20.0		N	umber	of spe	ecies:	4	S	tandar	d erro	r (mns/s):	0.19
Trophic status:	meso		Number	of nati	ve sp	ecies:	4		S	pecies	diversity:	0.45
Total sites:	10		Maxii	num s	pecie	s/site:	2	Na	ative s	pecies	diversity:	0.45
Depth (15 to 20 ft)	Occurre	ence	Rake	score	obser	vation	s (N,%) per s	pecies	;	Pla	ınt
Common Name	Frequen	cy (%)	0	%	1	%	3	%	5	%	Domi	nance
Coontail	8	80.0	2	20.0	3	30.0	5	50.0	0	0.0		36.0
Flat-stem pondweed	1	10.0	9	90.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0		2.0
Nitella	1	10.0	9	90.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0		2.0
Water stargrass	1	10.0	9	90.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0		2.0
Filamentous algae	1	10.0										

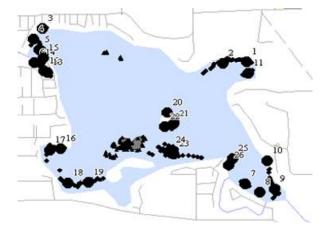
Dewa	rt Lake	Emergen	t Plant Bed	ls											Date: 8	3/9/06	
		Mean	Mean	Mean	Specie	s Freq	uency	of Occ	urrence	•			Species	Calc	ulated v	alues	
Bed	Sites	Latitude	Longitude	Wid (ft)	SPA	WAL	ARA	SWL	CAT	PIK	PRL	BUL	WAW	N	N/site	Acres	Length
1	3	41.37429	-85.76254	15		100.0	66.7						100.0	2	2.67	0.06	161
2	16	41.37414	-85.76508	77	25.0	93.8	68.8		31.3	75.0	6.3		31.3	6	3.31	2.44	1270
3	2	41.37709	-85.78410	68	100.0	50.0							50.0	2	2.00	0.03	18
4	3	41.37620	-85.78508	52		100.0						33.3	66.7	2	2.00	0.15	125
5	8	41.37533	-85.78449	206	75.0	100.0			12.5	12.5	12.5			5	2.13	5.13	1000
6	2	41.37418	-85.78498	27	100.0	100.0			50.0					3	2.50	0.03	54
7	5	41.36373	-85.76271	68	40.0	80.0								2	1.20	0.49	291
8	3	41.36298	-85.76114	21	100.0									1	1.00	0.05	73
9	12	41.36327	-85.75959	131	66.7	91.7	8.3	8.3	91.7	33.3	25.0		8.3	7	3.33	2.42	812
10	2	41.36570	-85.76038	24		100.0								1	1.00	0.02	28
11	7	41.37326	-85.76236	138	71.4	100.0		14.3	71.4	42.9	14.3		28.6	6	3.43	1.13	364
12	6	41.37348	-85.78399	29	50.0	100.0	33.3							3	1.83	0.23	360
13	6	41.37334	-85.78365	74	50.0	100.0	33.3							3	1.83	0.98	451
14	3	41.37422	-85.78437	130	100.0	33.3								2	1.33	0.82	255
15	2	41.37461	-85.78406	53		100.0								1	1.00	0.14	116
16	2	41.36674	-85.78223	125		100.0								1	1.00	0.15	52
17	10	41.36666	-85.78334	152		100.0	10.0		10.0	10.0	10.0			6	1.80	2.67	721
18	7	41.36379	-85.78144	144	42.9	100.0	28.6		28.6	14.3				5	2.14	2.27	523
19	9	41.36385	-85.77924	237	33.3	100.0			44.4	11.1				4	1.89	5.39	888
20	2	41.36987	-85.77093	47	100.0		50.0		100.0		50.0			4	3.00	0.03	25
21	11	41.36891	-85.77025	66	100.0	27.3	18.2	9.1	54.5	63.6				6	2.73	1.15	611
22	3	41.36863	-85.77117	45	100.0		100.0		100.0	66.7				4	3.67	0.06	56
23	17	41.36631	-85.77022	186	76.5	100.0			64.7	52.9	5.9			5	3.00	8.19	1860
24	6	41.36662	-85.77058	81		100.0								1	1.00	0.90	421
25	2	41.36591	-85.76405	32	100.0								50.0	1	1.50	0.04	51
26	8	41.36535	-85.76447	102	87.5	62.5								2	1.50	1.00	439
Fifteer	n offsho	ore beds of	bulrushes a	and catta	ails are	not in	cluded	in this	summa	ary.							
			Mean	89	72.9	88.1	41.7	10.6	54.9	38.2	17.7	33.3	47.8	3.3	2.07		
			Count		20	22	10	3	12	10	7	1	7.0		Sum	35.93	11023
Isolate	d patcl	nes															
	23				4.3	73.9	4.3					26.1	4.3	4	1.13		

Species present ARA Arrow arum BUL Bulrush CAT Cattail PIK Pickerelweed PLS Purple loosestrife SPA Spatterdock SWL Swamp loosestrife WAL Water lily WAW Water willow

> Lake surface acreage: 551.0 Percent surface coverage: 6.52
> Contour acreage within 10-ft depth: 300 Percent 10-ft contour area coverage: 12.0 Lake shoreline perimeter in miles: Estimated emergent bed miles: 5.3 2.1 Bed edge:shoreline ratio (%): 40.0

The map at the right depicts the lakeward locations of emergent plant beds (small black dots), and patches (stars) of emergent plants in Dewart Lake.

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Dewart Lake offshore bulrush and cattail beds, August 9, 2006 Mean Mean **Species Occurrence** Bed Sites Latitude Longitude CAT BUL N/site Acres 27 10 41.36404 -85.77941 100.0 0.96 28 3 41.36633 -85.77752 100.0 0.04 29 4 42.19139 -85.77743 100.0 < 0.01 30 7 42.30905 -85.77701 100.0 0.06 1 31 4 41.36605 -85.77667 100.0 1 0.03 32 3 41.36618 -85.77642 100.0 1 < 0.01 33 3 41.36699 -85.77658 100.0 <0.01 1 34 3 41.36707 -85.77677 100.0 1 < 0.01 35 4 41.36718 -85.77661 100.0 < 0.01 1 -85.77488 36 31 41.36703 100.0 3.16 37 12 41.36740 -85.77558 100.0 0.77 1 38 5 41.36748 -85.77509 100.0 0.03 39 3 41.36766 -85.77329 100.0 1 < 0.01 40 100.0 5 41.37460 -85.77590 1 0.03 41 8 41.37508 -85.77750 100.0 1 0.07 THUTTE *Insert box shown below. A, , ♠²⁷, ,

Relative Abundance, Size	and Estimat	ed Weight	of Fish Collect	ed at Dewart La	ake (June 06)	
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			Minimum	Maximum		
Common Name*	Number	Percent	Length (in)	Length (in)	Weight (lb)**	Percent
Bluegill	790	51.9	1.7	8.5	56.09	15.1
Mimic shiner	224	14.7	2.0	2.5	0.12	0.0
Redear	121	8.0	4.1	11.3	38.57	10.4
Largemouth bass	118	7.8	3.3	17.5	47.87	12.9
Yellow perch	85	5.6	2.8	10.1	8.64	2.3
Northern pike	37	2.4	15.0	32.1	88.20	23.8
Warmouth	27	1.8	3.0	8.5	5.03	1.4
Rock bass	23	1.5	2.2	10.8	7.28	2.0
Yellow bullhead	17	1.1	7.0	13.1	9.71	2.6
Brook silverside	16	1.1	3.3	4.0	0.04	0.0
Spotted gar	14	0.9	11.0	39.8	30.24	8.2
Bowfin	8	0.5	21.1	24.8	37.21	10.0
Brown bullhead	8	0.5	7.1	14.0	6.55	1.8
Logperch	7	0.5	3.1	4.6	0.03	0.0
Longear	7	0.5	2.6	4.8	0.31	0.1
Black crappie	5	0.3	11.2	12.3	4.37	1.2
Walleye	5	0.3	17.7	24.0	15.50	4.2
Lake chubsucker	4	0.3	4.0	6.5	0.42	0.1
Banded killifish	3	0.2	1.7	2.2	0.01	0.0
Smallmouth bass	2	0.1	4.2	15.7	1.99	0.5
Carp	1	0.1	30.3		12.35	3.3
TOTAL	1522				370.53	

Length	Cat	ch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scales	s/half-i	nch)		Age C	ompos	ition (n	umber	/age)	
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6
1.5	4			4	0.5	0.00	1						4					
2.0	23		9	32	4.1	0.01	4						32					
2.5	45		16	61	7.7	0.01	1	4					12	49				
3.0	98		31	129	16.3	0.02		6						129				
3.5	71	2	13	86	10.9	0.03		2	3					34	52			
4.0	151	3	14	168	21.3	0.05			4	1					134	34		
4.5	97	5	11	113	14.3	0.07			5						113			
5.0	22		2	24	3.0	0.09			1	4					5	19		
5.5	52	1	7	60	7.6	0.12			1	4					12	48		
6.0	39	7	3	49	6.2	0.16				5						49		
6.5	15	2	4	21	2.7	0.20				3	2					13	8	
7.0	7	3	4	14	1.8	0.26				1	4					3	11	
7.5	16	5	3	24	3.0	0.32					5	1					2	
8.0	2		1	3	0.4	0.39						2						
8.5	1		1	2	0.3	0.47						2						
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Totals:	643	28	119	790		56.09	6	12	14	10	11	5	48	212	316	165	22	7.

Length	Cat	ch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scale	s/half-i	nch)		Age C	ompos	sition (r	umber	/age)	
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6
3.5	7			7	5.9	0.02												1
4.0	4			4	3.4	0.03												
4.5	1			1	0.8	0.04												1
5.0	1			1	0.8	0.06												1
5.5	1			1	0.8	0.08												1
6.0	3	1		4	3.4	0.10												
6.5	11			11	9.3	0.13												
7.0	15	1		16	13.6	0.16												
7.5	16	1	1	18	15.3	0.20												
8.0	3	2		5	4.2	0.25												
8.5	3	1		4	3.4	0.30												
9.0	4	2		6	5.1	0.35												
9.5	2	3		5	4.2	0.42												
10.0	3	1		4	3.4	0.49												
10.5	2	2		4	3.4	0.57												
11.0	3	1		4	3.4	0.65												
11.5	8			8	6.8	0.75												
12.0	2			2	1.7	0.85												
12.5	2			2	1.7	0.97												
13.0	1			1	0.8	1.09												
13.5	1			1	0.8	1.23												
14.0	6			6	5.1	1.37												
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(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6
3.0	5			5	5.9	0.01	3						5					
3.5	8			8	9.4	0.02	3	1					6	2				
4.0	8			8	9.4	0.03	3	1					6	2				
4.5	6			6	7.1	0.04		3						6				
5.0	15			15	17.6	0.06		4	1					12	3			
5.5	10	1		11	12.9	0.08		2	2					6	6			
6.0	7		1	8	9.4	0.10		2	2					4	4			
6.5	3	2		5	5.9	0.13			1	1					3	3		
7.0	5			5	5.9	0.17				3						5		
7.5	5			5	5.9	0.21			3	1					4	1		
8.0	5			5	5.9	0.25			1	1					3	3		
8.5	1			1	1.2	0.31			1						1			
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(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6-
4.0		1		1	0.8	0.05												
4.5			1	1	0.8	0.07												
5.0			4	4	3.3	0.09												
5.5			4	4	3.3	0.12												
6.0		2	7	9	7.4	0.16												
6.5	5	2	9	16	13.2	0.20												
7.0	10	3	11	24	19.8	0.25												
7.5	10	2	13	25	20.7	0.31												
8.0	5	2	10	17	14.0	0.38												
8.5	4		2	6	5.0	0.45												
9.0	1		2	3	2.5	0.54												
9.5	1	1	1	3	2.5	0.64												
10.0	1		6	7	5.8	0.74												
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Length	Ca	tch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scale	s/half-i	nch)		Age C	ompos	sition (n	umber	/age)	
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6-
15.0		1		1	2.7	0.70												
15.5																		
16.0																		
16.5		2		2	5.4	0.94												
17.0																		
17.5		1		1	2.7	1.14												
18.0		4		4	10.8	1.24												
18.5		3		3	8.1	1.35												
19.0		1		1	2.7	1.47												
19.5		3		3	8.1	1.60												
20.0																		
20.5	1	3		4	10.8	1.87												
21.0		1		1	2.7	2.01												
21.5		3		3	8.1	2.17												
22.0																		
22.5		2		2	5.4	2.50												
23.0		2		2	5.4	2.68												
23.5		1		1	2.7	2.87												
24.0		2		2	5.4	3.06												
24.5																		
25.0		1		1	2.7	3.48												
25.5																		
26.0		2		2	5.4	3.94												
26.5																		
27.0		1		1	2.7	4.43												
27.5																		
28.0		1		1	2.7	4.97												
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29.0		1		1	2.7	5.55												
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30.5																		
31.0																		
31.5		_			0.7	7.50												
32.0		1		1	2.7	7.56												
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33.0		00		07		00.00	_		_	_	_							
Totals:	1	36	0	37		88.20	0	0	0									
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Relative Abundance, Size	and Estimate	ed Weight	of Fish Collect	ted at Dewart La	ake (July 06)	
			Minimum	Maximum		
Common Name*	Number	Percent	Length (in)	Length (in)	Weight (lb)**	Percent
Bluegill	369	60.2	1.9	8.3	22.10	12.0
Redear	41	6.7	4.9	10.0	11.14	6.1
Largemouth bass	34	5.5	2.7	14.7	12.26	6.7
Warmouth	29	4.7	3.3	9.3	4.09	2.2
Mimic shiner	25	4.1	2.2	2.9	0.03	0.0
Northern pike	22	3.6	16.0	32.9	55.78	30.4
Yellow perch	22	3.6	1.8	11.3	1.95	1.1
Spotted gar	20	3.3	11.2	27.1	28.90	15.7
Yellow bullhead	15	2.4	9.3	12.5	10.76	5.9
Rock bass	11	1.8	2.6	10.0	2.94	1.6
Longear	5	0.8	2.8	4.7	0.20	0.1
Lake chubsucker	4	0.7	4.6	8.0	0.62	0.3
Longnose gar	3	0.5	28.3	46.0	15.29	8.3
Bowfin	3	0.5	18.0	20.7	8.40	4.6
Black crappie	3	0.5	5.8	8.9	0.79	0.4
Walleye	2	0.3	19.0	22.1	5.73	3.1
Brown bullhead	2	0.3	13.5	14.2	2.69	1.5
Common shiner	1	0.2	5.1		0.03	0.0
Log perch	1	0.2	4.7		0.02	0.0
Banded killifish	1	0.2	2.3		0.01	0.0
TOTAL	613				183.73	

Length	Cat	ch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scale	s/half-i	nch)		Age C	ompos	ition (r	umber	/age)	
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6-
2.0	6		10	16	4.3	0.01												
2.5	5		86	91	24.7	0.01												
3.0	17		26	43	11.7	0.02												
3.5	20	1	40	61	16.5	0.03												
4.0	29	1	12	42	11.4	0.05												
4.5	36	4	8	48	13.0	0.07												
5.0	7	4	3	14	3.8	0.09												
5.5	9	2	2	13	3.5	0.12												
6.0	11	5		16	4.3	0.16												
6.5	2	2	1	5	1.4	0.20												
7.0			2	2	0.5	0.26												
7.5	1	7	3	11	3.0	0.32												
8.0	1	4	1	6	1.6	0.39												
8.5			1	1	0.3	0.47												
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Length	Cat	tch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scale	s/half-i	nch)		Age C	ompos	ition (r	umber	/age)	
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6
2.5			1	1	2.9	0.01												
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3.5																		
4.0																		
4.5	2		1	3	8.8	0.04												
5.0	6			6	17.6	0.06												
5.5	2			2	5.9	0.08												
6.0	1	1		2	5.9	0.10												
6.5																		
7.0	1			1	2.9	0.16												
7.5	2			2	5.9	0.20												
8.0	3			3	8.8	0.25												
8.5	1			1	2.9	0.30												
9.0	4			4	11.8	0.35												
9.5	1			1	2.9	0.42												
10.0	2			2	5.9	0.49												
10.5	1			1	2.9	0.57												
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13.0	1	1		2	5.9	1.09												
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Length	Cat	ch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scale	s/half-i	nch)		Age C	ompos	ition (r	number	/age)	
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6-
2.0	1			1	4.5	0.00												
2.5																		
3.0																		
3.5	3			3	13.6	0.02												
4.0	6		1	7	31.8	0.03												
4.5	2			2	9.1	0.04												
5.0	3			3	13.6	0.06												
5.5	2			2	9.1	0.08												
6.0	1			1	4.5	0.10												
6.5	1			1	4.5	0.13												
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8.0	1			1	4.5	0.25												<u> </u>
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Length	Cat	ch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scale	s/half-i	nch)		Age Composition (number/age)					L
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2	3	4	5	6-
5.0			1	1	2.4	0.09												
5.5			9	9	22.0	0.12												
6.0	1		4	5	12.2	0.16												
6.5	1			1	2.4	0.20												
7.0	1		6	7	17.1	0.25												
7.5	2	1	5	8	19.5	0.31												
8.0	1		6	7	17.1	0.38												
8.5																		
9.0																		
9.5		2		2	4.9	0.64												
10.0			1	1	2.4	0.74												
10.5																		
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Totals:	6	3	32	41		11.14	0	0	0	0	0	0						
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Length	Cat	ch by g	ear	Total	%	Estimated	Age a	nalysis	(scale	s/half-i	nch)		Age C	ompos	sition (r	umbei	/age)	
(in)	EF	GN	TN	Number		Weight (lb)	1	2	3	4	5	6+	1	2			5	6-
16.0		1		1	4.5	0.86												
16.5		1		1	4.5	0.94												
17.0																		
17.5																		
18.0		4		4	18.2	1.24												
18.5																		
19.0																		
19.5		2		2	9.1	1.60												
20.0		1		1	4.5	1.73												
20.5																		
21.0																		
21.5		3		3	13.6	2.17												
22.0		1		1	4.5	2.33												
22.5		3		3	13.6	2.50												
23.0		2		2	9.1	2.68												
23.5																		
24.0		1		1	4.5	3.06												
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26.5		1		1	4.5	4.18												
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32.0																		-
32.5																		\vdash
33.0		1		1	4.5	8.33												_
33.5																		_
34.0																		
Totals:	0	22	0	22		55.78	0	0	0			•						_
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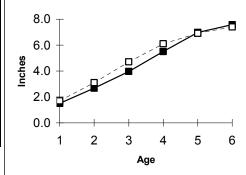
Bluegill

Intercept: 0.8 inch

BACK-CALCULATED LENGTHS (inches) AT EACH AGE

Class Ш IV VΙ 2005 1.5 stdev 0.16 2004 2.3 12 1.4 stdev 0.13 0.25 2003 2.6 3.6 1.5 14 stdev 0.14 0.36 0.59 2002 5.1 1.6 2.7 3.8 18 stdev 0.22 0.27 0.41 0.69 2001 5.8 6.8 11 1.6 3.1 4.4 0.20 0.28 0.40 stdev 0.14 0.33 2000 1.5 2.7 4.1 5.7 7.1 7.6 stdev 0.29 0.26 0.25 0.15 0.46 0.24 Mean 1.5 2.7 4.0 5.5 7.0 7.6 SD 0.09 0.28 0.36 0.38 0.20 Count 63 58 46 32 14 3

Bluegill growth (solid line) compared to other Indiana natural lakes (dotted line).

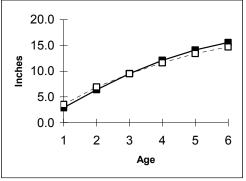


Largemouth bass Intercept: 0.8 inch

BACK-CALCULATED LENGTHS (inches) AT EACH AGE

Class Ш VI Count 2005 3.0 0.39 stdev 2004 30 2.9 6.4 0.87 stdev 0.48 2003 37 2.5 5.4 8.3 0.38 0.88 stdev 0.67 2002 2.9 6.0 8.9 11.1 48 stdev 0.70 0.86 1.15 0.91 2001 48 2.8 7.1 10.3 12.4 13.8 stdev 0.83 1.22 1.29 1.01 0.98 2000 17 3.1 7.0 10.6 12.7 14.5 15.6 stdev 0.85 1.17 1.38 1.00 1.15 1.10 Mean 2.9 6.4 9.5 12.1 14.1 15.6 SD 0.22 0.73 1.13 0.84 0.51 17 Count 187 180 150 113

Largemouth bass growth (solid line) compared to other Indiana natural lakes (dotted line).



Yellow perch

Intercept: 1.2 inch

BACK CALCUL ATER LENGTHS (inches) AT EACH AGE

BACK-C	ALCULA	LED LEN	IGTHS (I	nches) A	TEACH	AGE	
Year							
Class	Count	ı	II	III	IV	V	VI
2005	9	2.7					
	stdev	0.35					
2004	13	2.7	4.2				
	stdev	0.37	0.60				
2003	11	2.4	4.0	5.9			
	stdev	0.24	0.43	1.13			
2002	8	2.7	4.2	5.8	7.3		
	stdev	0.55	0.41	0.98	1.14		
2001	0						
2000	0						
Mean		2.6	4.1	5.9	7.3		
SD		0.17	0.13	0.01			
Count		41	32	19	8		

Yellow perch growth (solid line) compared to other lakes (dotted line).

